

1 **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

2 **ORDINANCE NO. _____**

3 **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE 27 OF THE LAKE COUNTY CODE PERTAINING TO**
4 **CANNABIS CULTIVATION**

5 **WHEREAS, in 2015, the Legislature enacted Assembly Bill 243, Assembly Bill 266 and Senate Bill 643**
6 **collectively as the Medical Marijuana Regulation and Safety Act (MMRSA), later changed to Medical**
7 **Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act (MCRSA); and**

8 **WHEREAS, the intent of MCRSA was to provide a regulatory structure for the cultivation, manufacture,**
9 **testing, distribution, and sale of medical cannabis to support the voter approved Propositions 215**
10 **(1996) and 420 (2004) regarding medical cannabis usage by patients; and**

11 **WHEREAS, in 2016, voters approved Proposition 64, The Adult Use of Marijuana Act (AUMA), allowing**
12 **adults 21 years and older to possess up to one ounce of cannabis and cultivate up to six plants for**
13 **personal use, and regulate and tax the production, manufacture, and sale of cannabis for adult use; and**

14 **WHEREAS, the Health and Safety Code, Section 11362.2 allows cities and counties to enact and enforce**
15 **reasonable regulations to reasonably regulate the cultivation, harvest, drying, processing,**
16 **transportation, purchase, possession, smoking, ingesting, obtaining and giving away cannabis, including**
17 **concentrated cannabis and cannabis products; and**

18 **WHEREAS, the Health and Safety Code, Section 11362.2 allows for cities and counties to completely**
19 **prohibit persons from engaging in the above listed actions and conduct outdoors upon the grounds of**
20 **a private residence house, apartment unit, mobile home, or similar dwelling); until such time as the**
21 **California Attorney General determines that nonmedical use of cannabis is lawful in the State of**
22 **California under federal law; and**

23 **WHEREAS, the Federal Controlled Substances Act, 21 U.S.C. §§ 801 et seq., classifies cannabis as a**
24 **Schedule 1 Drug, which is defined as a drug or other substance that has a high potential for abuse, that**
25 **has no currently accepted medical use in treatment in the United States, and that has not been accepted**
26 **as safe for use under medical supervision. The Federal Controlled Substances Act makes it unlawful,**
27 **under federal law, for any person to cultivate, manufacture, distribute or dispense, or possess with**
28 **intent to manufacture, distribute or dispense, cannabis. The Federal Controlled Substances Act contains**
29 **no exemption for the cultivation, manufacture, distribution, dispensation, or possession of marijuana**
30 **for medical purposes; and**

31 **WHEREAS, the County's geographic and climatic conditions, along with the sparse population in many**
32 **areas of the County provide conditions that are favorable to outdoor cannabis cultivation, and the**
33 **County has experienced a significant increase in the number of people in the County cultivating large**
34 **amounts of cannabis. Cannabis growers can achieve a high per-plant yield because of the County's**
35 **favorable growing conditions. With the use of custom soils and fertilizers, it is not uncommon for plants**
36 **to grow up to 12 feet in height, six feet in diameter and produce between two (2) to seven (7) pounds**
37 **of dried bud. Many if these seasonal growers are unfamiliar with local and state regulations aimed at**

1 protecting the environment and are causing significant damage to area watersheds. Soils, fertilizers and
2 pesticides are commonly left behind as sites are abandoned for the winter; and

3 WHEREAS, Senate Bill 94 (MAUCRSA) creates a comprehensive state licensing system for the
4 commercial cultivation, manufacture, transport, testing, distribution, retail sale and delivery of medical
5 and adult-use cannabis. A local permit for the activity is required in order to obtain a state license; and

6 WHEREAS, the unregulated cultivation of cannabis in the unincorporated area of Lake County can
7 adversely affect the health, safety, and well-being of the County, its residents and environment.
8 Comprehensive civil regulation of premises used for cannabis cultivation is proper and necessary to
9 avoid the risks of violent criminal activity, degradation of the natural environment, malodorous smells,
10 undesired impacts to neighboring parcels, and indoor electrical fire hazards that may result from
11 unregulated cannabis cultivation, and that are especially significant if the amount of cannabis cultivated
12 on a single premises is not regulated; and

13 WHEREAS, cultivation and sales of cannabis at locations or premises in close proximity of schools,
14 churches, parks, child care centers, or youth oriented facilities creates unique risks that the cannabis
15 plants and products may be observed by juveniles, and therefore be especially vulnerable to theft for
16 recreational consumption by juveniles. Further, the potential for criminal activities associated with
17 cannabis cultivation in such locations poses heightened risks that juveniles will be involved or
18 endangered; therefore, cultivation and sales of any amount of cannabis in such locations or premises is
19 especially hazardous to public safety and welfare, and to the protection of minors; and

20 WHEREAS, according to law enforcement officials, the amount of cannabis cultivated in Lake County
21 has increased significantly with each growing season and is increasingly occurring in residential areas,
22 in close proximity to residences, and on vacant, unsupervised and unsecured properties. During the last
23 three years, Lake County has experienced an ongoing large number of complaints regarding the odor,
24 threats to public safety and other nuisances that unregulated cannabis cultivation sites can create; and

25 WHEREAS, the unregulated use of Pesticide management, pesticides and fertilizers has the potential to
26 contaminate or otherwise damage adjacent property and waterways. This poses a threat not only to
27 the users of the cannabis, but to consumers of agricultural crops grown in proximity to cannabis; and

28 WHEREAS, the cultivation of cannabis has the potential for increased crime, intimidation and threats.
29 As cannabis plants mature, certain varieties produce a strong odor which creates an attractive nuisance
30 by alerting people to the location of valuable cannabis plants; this creates an increased risk of crimes
31 including burglary, trespassing, robbery and armed robbery; and

32 WHEREAS, Lake County has experienced a significant increase in reported home invasion robberies, and
33 it is believed that more incidents go unreported due to the criminal nature of many cultivation
34 operations; and

35 WHEREAS, indoor cultivation of cannabis often results in excessive use of electricity which may overload
36 standard electrical systems creating an unreasonable risk of fire. This cultivation, as well as the illegal
37 manufacturing of cannabis with the use of volatile chemicals has caused extensive damage to homes,
38 as well as poses a serious public health and safety threat; and

1 **WHEREAS, As recognized by the Attorney General’s August 2008 Guidelines for the Security and Non-**
2 **Diversion of Cannabis Grown for Medical Use, the cultivation or other concentration of cannabis in any**
3 **location or premises without adequate security increases the risk that surrounding homes or businesses**
4 **may be negatively impacted by nuisance activity such as loitering or crime; and**

5 **WHEREAS, Standards are necessary to protect adjacent property owners and residents; and to limit**
6 **incompatible uses on residential, agricultural and commercial lots and protect the public safety and**
7 **welfare.**

8 **THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:**

9 **Section 1: Purpose and Intent**

10 A. It is the purpose of this ordinance to implement State law by providing a means for regulating the
11 personal/patient/caregiver cultivation, and commercial cultivation of cannabis in a manner that is
12 consistent with State law and which balances the needs of medical and recreational consumers of
13 cannabis and promotes the health, safety and welfare of the residents and businesses within the
14 unincorporated territory of the County of Lake. This ordinance is intended to be consistent with
15 Assembly Bill 133, Assembly Bill 243, Assembly Bill 266, Senate Bill 643, Senate Bill 94 and Proposition
16 64, and toward that end, is not intended to prohibit persons from individually, collectively, or
17 cooperatively exercising any right otherwise granted by State law. Rather, the intent and purpose of
18 this ordinance is to establish reasonable regulations upon the manner in which cannabis may be
19 cultivated in order to protect the public peace, health, safety, welfare and environment in Lake County
20 and that is in conformance with the provisions of California Business and Professions Code, Health
21 and Safety Code, and other provisions of State Law. It is also the intent of the Board of Supervisors
22 that nothing in this Article shall be construed to allow persons to engage in conduct that endangers
23 others or causes a public nuisance.

24 B. Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to allow any activity relating to the cultivation of cannabis
25 otherwise illegal under State law. No provision of this Ordinance shall be deemed a defense or
26 immunity to any action brought against any person by the Lake County District Attorney, the Attorney
27 General of the State of California, or the United States of America.

28 C. Nothing in this Ordinance is intended, nor shall it be construed, to exempt the
29 personal/patient/caregiver and commercial cultivation of medicinal and adult use cannabis from
30 compliance with all other applicable provisions of the Lake County Code.

31 D. Nothing in this ordinance is intended, nor shall it be construed, to exempt the
32 personal/patient/caregiver and commercial cultivation of medicinal and adult use cannabis from any
33 and all applicable local and state construction, grading, electrical, plumbing, land use, water rights,
34 waste water discharge, streambed alterations, or any other environmental, building, or land use
35 standards or permitting requirements.

36 **Section 2: Applicability**

37 The provisions of this Article shall be applicable to all persons and businesses described herein whether
38 the activities described herein were established before or after the effective date of this Section.

Section 3: Qualified Patient, Primary Caregiver, and Adult Personal Use Cannabis Cultivation

Subsection (z) of Section 27.3 of Chapter 21 of the Lake County Code is hereby added and shall read as follows:

(z) Adult Personal Use, Qualified Patient, and Primary Caregiver Cannabis Cultivation

1. Definitions

- i. Adult Use: Includes personal use, possession and cultivation of cannabis by adults 21 years of age and older that occurs in compliance with Health and Safety Code Sections 11362.1 and 11362.2, as may be amended, except that nothing in this chapter shall be construed to authorize any activity that is prohibited by Health and Safety Code Sections 11362.3 through 11362.45, inclusive, or by any other state or local law.
- ii. Cannabis: All parts of the plant *Cannabis sativa* (Linnaeus), *Cannabis indica*, or *Cannabis ruderalis*, or any hybrid thereof, whether growing or not; the seeds thereof; the resin, whether crude or purified, extracted from any part of the plant; and every compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture, or preparation of the plant, its seeds, or resin. "Cannabis" also means the separated resin, whether crude or purified, obtained from cannabis. "Cannabis" does not include the mature stalks of the plant, fiber produced from the stalks, oil or cake made from the seeds of the plant, any other compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture, or preparation of the mature stalks (except the resin extracted therefrom), fiber, oil, or cake, or the sterilized seed of the plant which is incapable of germination. For the purpose of this division, "cannabis" does not mean "industrial hemp" as defined by Section 11018.5 of the Health and Safety Code.
- iii. Cannabis cultivation: Any activity involving the germinating, cloning, seed production, planting, growing, and harvesting of cannabis plants and the on-site drying, curing, grading, or trimming of cannabis plants.
- iv. Cannabis indoor cultivation: The cultivation of cannabis using light deprivation and/or artificial lighting below a rate of 25 watts per square foot.
- v. Cannabis mixed-light cultivation: The cultivation of cannabis in a greenhouse, glasshouse, conservatory, hothouse, or other similar structure using light deprivation and/or artificial lighting below a rate of 25 watts per square foot.
- vi. Cannabis outdoor cultivation: Cultivation of cannabis without the use of light deprivation and/or artificial lighting in the canopy area. Supplemental low intensity lighting is permissible only to maintain immature plants as a source of propagation. For the purpose of this section, cultivation within a greenhouse without supplemental light are considered outdoor cultivation.
- vii. Day care center: Has the same meaning as in Section 1596.76 of the California Health and Safety Code.

- viii. Enforcement official: As used in this Article, shall mean the Lake County Sheriff, Community Development Director, Chief Building Official, Environmental Health Director, or any other official authorized to enforce local, state or federal laws.
- ix. Fence: means a wall or a barrier connected by boards, masonry, rails, panels, wire or any other materials approved by the Community Development Department for the purpose of enclosing space or separating parcels of land. The term “fence” does not include retaining walls, plastic, tarp, bamboo coverings, corrugated metal, or other materials not designed or manufactured for use as a fence.
- x. Greenhouse (Cannabis): An outdoor structure, heated or unheated, constructed primarily of glass, 6 mil film, polycarbonate, or other rigid translucent material, which is devoted to the cultivation of cannabis.
- xi. Grow room: The area designated in a principal structure where the cultivation and processing of cannabis for personal, qualified patient, or primary caregiver use occurs.
- xii. Hoop-house: An unheated outdoor enclosure used for the purpose of growing and/or for protecting seedlings and plants from cold weather but not containing any mechanical or electrical systems or storage of any items. Typically a hoop-house is of semi-circular design made of, but not limited to, piping or other material covered with translucent material.
- xiii. Immature cannabis plants: A cannabis plant that is not flowering.
- xiv. Indoor: means within a fully enclosed and secure structure that complies with the California Building Standards Code (Title 24 California Code of Regulations), as adopted by the County of Lake, that has a complete roof enclosure supported by connecting walls extending from the ground to the roof, and a foundation, slab, or equivalent base to which the floor is securely attached. The structure must be secure against unauthorized entry, accessible only through one or more lockable doors, and constructed of solid materials that cannot easily be broken through, such as standard 2" x 4" or thicker studs overlain with 3/8" or thicker plywood or equivalent materials.
- xv. Physician’s recommendation: A recommendation by a physician or surgeon that authorizes a patient use cannabis provided in accordance with the Compassionate Use Act of 1996 (Proposition 215), found at Section 11362.5 of the Health and Safety Code.
- xvi. Premises: The designated structure or structures and land specified in the application that is owned, leased, or otherwise held under the control of the applicant or permittee where the commercial cannabis activity will be or is conducted.
- xvii. Primary caregiver: The same meaning as California Health and Safety Code Section 11362.7 (d).
- xviii. Qualified patient: The same meaning as California Health and Safety Code Section 11362.7 (f), and whose primary place of residence is within Lake County.

1 xix. School: For the purpose of the cannabis regulations, school means any public or private school
2 providing instruction in kindergarten or any of grades 1 to 12, inclusive, but does not include
3 any private school in which education is primarily conducted in private homes.

4 xx. Youth center: The same meaning as in Section 11353.1.e.2 of the Health and Safety Code.

5 2. Enforcement

6 i. A violation of any provision of this Section or any condition of a County permit is subject to
7 the enforcement and penalties provisions of Article 61.3 Arrest and Citation Powers and 61.4
8 Penalties of this Chapter.

9 ii. The use of land, buildings, or premises established, operated, or maintained contrary to the
10 provisions of this subsection; any condition dangerous to human life, unsafe, or detrimental
11 to the public health or safety; and the existence of loud or unusual noises which are not
12 already regulated through an approved use permit, or foul or noxious odors, not already
13 regulated by the Lake County Air Quality Management District, which offend the peace and
14 quiet of persons of ordinary sensibilities and which interferes with the comfortable enjoyment
15 of life or property and affect the entire neighborhood or any considerable number of persons
16 are declared to be a nuisance subject to the enforcement procedures of Chapter 13 of the
17 Lake County Ordinance Code.

18 iii. Persons involved in unfair, dishonest, deceptive, destructive, fraudulent and discriminatory
19 practices by which fair and honest competition is destroyed or prevented are subject to
20 enforcement procedures of the California Unfair Practices Act (Business and Profession Code,
21 Division 7. General Business Regulations, Part 2 Preservation and Regulation of Competition,
22 Chapter 4. Unfair Trade Practices).

23 iv. A Zoning Permit may be revoked under the procedures set forth in section 21-60.10
24 Revocation of Permits.

25 3. Development Standards and Restrictions

26 i. The cultivation of cannabis for non-commercial Adult, Qualified Patient, and Primary
27 Caregiver Use is an accessory use to an existing, legal, permitted residential structure on a
28 legal lot of record occupied by the qualified patient, primary caregiver, or the adult using the
29 cannabis grown on-site.

30 ii. On a lot of record five (5) acres or less in size and all lots within community growth boundaries,
31 the cultivation of cannabis shall be conducted in a detached accessory building, i.e. a shed or
32 greenhouse, a grow room that is located in the principal structure, or a greenhouse with
33 mixed light. Hoop-houses are not allowed. The area of the accessory building or grow room
34 shall not exceed 100 square feet in size regardless of the number of adults, qualified patients,
35 or primary caregivers living in the residence. For adult use cultivation, the number of
36 accessory buildings or row rooms is limited to one (1) regardless of the number of adults
37 residing in the residence. For qualified patients and primary caregivers' more than one

- 1 accessory building or grow room is allowed but cannot exceed the number of qualified
2 patients.
- 3 iii. On a lot of record greater than five acres in size outside community growth boundaries, the
4 cultivation of cannabis shall be conducted either in a detached accessory building, i.e. a shed
5 or greenhouse, a grow room that is located in the principal structure, a greenhouse with
6 mixed-light, or an outdoor fenced area. For adult use cultivation, the area of the accessory
7 building, indoor grow room or outdoor cultivation area shall not exceed 100 square feet in
8 size regardless of the number of adults living in the residence. For qualified patients and
9 primary caregivers' more than one accessory building, grow room, or individual outdoor
10 cultivation area 100 square feet in size is allowed but cannot exceed the number of qualified
11 patients. Hoop-houses are not allowed. For lots of record that are both within and outside a
12 community growth boundary, such outdoor cultivation is only allowed on that portion outside
13 the community growth boundary and which exceeds five acres in size.
- 14 iv. No outdoor cultivation outside of a greenhouse shall be located within 1,000 feet of:
- 15 (a) any public or private school, grades 1 through 12,;
- 16 (b) a developed public park containing playground equipment;
- 17 (c) a drug or alcohol rehabilitation facility; or
- 18 (d) a licensed child care facility or nursery school, church or youth-oriented facility catering
19 to or providing services primarily intended for minors.
- 20 The distance specified in this section shall be the horizontal distance measured in a straight
21 line from the property line of the school, park, rehabilitation facility, licensed child care
22 facility, nursery school, or youth-oriented facility, to the closest property line of the lot of
23 record on which the cannabis cultivation site is located.
- 24 v. Cannabis plant limitations:
- 25 (a) Qualified patient and primary caregiver: No more than six (6) mature cannabis plants or
26 twelve (12) immature cannabis plants per qualified patient may be planted, cultivated,
27 harvested, dried, or processed at any one time.
- 28 (b) Personal adult use: No more than six (6) cannabis plants per residence on a lot of record
29 may be planted, cultivated, harvested, dried, or processed at any one time regardless of
30 the number of adults living in the residence.
- 31 vi. Protection of minors:
- 32 Cannabis cultivation areas shall not be accessible to juveniles who are not qualified patients
33 or primary caregivers residing on the lot of record. The entrance to a shed, grow room,
34 greenhouse, or outdoor area shall be locked to prevent access by minors.
- 35 vii. The processing of cannabis includes the drying of cannabis and manufacturing that only
36 utilizes processes that are either solventless or that employ only nonflammable, nontoxic

1 solvents that are generally recognized as safe pursuant to the federal Food, Drug, and
2 Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. Sec. 301 et seq.).

3 viii. The living plants and any cannabis produced by the plants in excess of 28.5 grams shall be
4 kept within the private residence or in a locked space, and not visible by normal unaided vision
5 from a public place.

6 ix. Indoor cultivation and mixed light cultivation lighting shall not exceed 1,200 watts and shall
7 conform to all applicable electrical codes. Outdoor cultivation areas, other than a greenhouse
8 with mixed light shall not have any supplemental lighting.

9 x. A greenhouse with mixed light shall have the ability to enclose the greenhouse at night to
10 prevent the transmission of light beyond the greenhouse.

11 xi. A grow room shall only occur within a legal structure that meets the definition of Indoor and
12 complies with all applicable provisions of the County's General Plan, Zoning Ordinance, and
13 California Building Code.

14 xii. Single family dwelling, duplex, or triplex accessory use:

15 Any accessory structure, i.e. a shed or greenhouse, used for cultivation and processing of
16 cannabis on a lot of record zoned for single family or a lot of record zoned for two or multi-
17 family with a single residential structure, duplex, or triplex as the primary structure shall:

- 18 (a) Be located on the same lot of record as the residence occupied by the qualified patient,
19 primary caregiver, or the adult using the cannabis grown on-site.
- 20 (b) Be located in an area which is fully enclosed by a fence at least six (6) feet in height. On
21 lots greater than 5 acres where cannabis is cultivated outside of a greenhouse, the
22 outdoor grow area shall be enclosed by an opaque (not transparent or translucent)
23 fence. The Director may waive the requirement for an opaque fence and allow a non-
24 opaque fence if the cultivation site cannot be seen from adjacent properties or by the
25 public due to topography or vegetation.
- 26 (c) Be secure against unauthorized entry and accessible only through lockable doors and/or
27 gates.
- 28 (d) Be equipped with an odor-control filtration and ventilation system(s) adequate to
29 prevent cannabis plant odors from exiting the interior of the structure.
- 30 (e) Be painted in similar colors to the primary residence.
- 31 (f) Comply with the base zoning's setbacks.
- 32 (g) A greenhouse shall be a prefabricated structure constructed for nursery or agricultural
33 purposes which has a frame constructed of metal and the panels must be polycarbonate
34 or other similar material which is no less than four (4) millimeters thick. The walls shall
35 be opaque so that a person cannot see inside the greenhouse. Hoop-houses are
36 prohibited.

- 1 (h) Obtain a building permit before construction.
- 2 (i) Not exceed 100 square feet.
- 3 (j) Not create an odor, humidity or mold problem on the premises or on adjacent premises.
- 4 (k) The ventilation and filtration system, along with any plumbing improvements, shall be
- 5 installed with valid electrical and plumbing permits issued and inspected by the Lake
- 6 County Building and Safety Division prior to commencing cultivation within the
- 7 allowable structure.
- 8 (l) Cultivation within any detached accessory structure that does not meet the definition of
- 9 Indoor or within a greenhouse shall be considered outdoor cultivation.
- 10 (m) The number of accessory structures shall not exceed the number of qualified patients
- 11 living in the single family, duplex, or triplex residential units. Only one accessory
- 12 structure may be allowed on a lot of record with a single family, duplex, or triplex
- 13 residential units for adult personal cannabis use regardless of the number of adults
- 14 living in the residential units.
- 15 xiii. Apartment or manufactured home park accessory use:
- 16 (a) Any accessory structure, i.e. a shed or greenhouse, used for cultivation of cannabis on a
- 17 lot of record zoned for multi-family with an apartment building or a manufactured home
- 18 park shall:
 - 19 a. Obtain a zoning permit and building permit before construction.
 - 20 b. Be located on the same lot of record as the residence occupied by the qualified
 - 21 patient, primary care giver, or the adult using the cannabis grown on-site.
 - 22 c. Be located in an area which is fully enclosed by an opaque (not transparent or
 - 23 translucent) fence at least six (6) feet in height. The Director may waive the
 - 24 requirement for an opaque fence and allow a non-opaque fence if the cultivation
 - 25 site cannot be seen from adjacent properties or by the public due to topography or
 - 26 vegetation.
 - 27 d. Be secure against unauthorized entry and accessible only through lockable doors. If
 - 28 the accessory use is designed as a cultivation area or grow room, each such area
 - 29 shall have a separate entry and lock.
 - 30 e. Be equipped with an odor-control filtration and ventilation system(s) adequate to
 - 31 prevent cannabis plant odors from exiting the interior of the structure.
 - 32 f. Be painted in similar colors to the primary residence.
 - 33 g. Comply with the base zoning setbacks.
 - 34 h. A greenhouse shall be a prefabricated structure constructed for nursery or
 - 35 agricultural purposes which has a frame constructed of metal and the panels must
 - 36 be polycarbonate or other similar material which is no less than four (4) millimeters

1 thick. The walls shall be opaque so that a person cannot see inside the greenhouse.
2 Hoop-houses are prohibited.

3 i. Not exceed 100 square feet per separate cultivation area or grow room.

4 j. Not create humidity or mold problem on the premises or on adjacent premises.

5 (b) The ventilation and filtration system, along with any plumbing improvements, shall be
6 installed with valid electrical and plumbing permits issued and inspected by the Lake
7 County Building and Safety Division prior to commencing cultivation within the
8 allowable structure.

9 (c) If a greenhouse is used, it shall have opaque walls so that a person cannot see inside the
10 greenhouse.

11 (d) The number of rooms for the cultivation and processing of cannabis in and/or group of,
12 accessory structures cannot exceed the total number of residential units on the lot of
13 record.

14 (e) An adult tenant, qualified patient, or primary caregiver shall not use, rent, or lease more
15 than one cultivation area or grow room for the cultivation of processing of cannabis at a
16 time.

17 (f) The owner of the apartment building or manufactured home park shall maintain records
18 of which tenant used, rented, or leased which room in the accessory structure.

19 (g) Each room for the cultivation and processing of cannabis shall have an individual water
20 and electrical usage meter.

21 (h) The zoning permit shall include the requirement of an annual compliance monitoring
22 inspection. Included in the inspection shall be an inspection of the tenant use, rental, or
23 lease records and the water and electrical records for each grow room.

24 (i) Outdoor cultivation is prohibited. Cultivation within any detached accessory structure
25 that does not meet the definition of Indoor or within a greenhouse shall be considered
26 outdoor cultivation.

27 (j) If the premises is rented or leased, written approval shall be obtained from the property
28 owner(s), containing the property owner(s) notarized signature that authorizes the
29 tenant or lessee to cultivate cannabis at the site. A copy of the written approval shall be
30 maintained by the tenant or lessee and made available for review by enforcement
31 officials upon request. Written approvals shall be renewed annually.

32 (k) Cultivation of cannabis is an accessory use to an existing residential structure occupied
33 by the qualified patient, primary caregiver, or the adult using the cannabis grown on-
34 site. Only residents of the mobile home park or their primary caregiver may cultivate
35 cannabis on-site.

36 (l) Protection of Minors:

Cannabis cultivation areas shall not be accessible to juveniles who are not qualified patients or primary caregivers. The entrance to a shed, grow room, greenhouse, or outdoor area shall be locked to prevent access by minors.

(m) The processing of cannabis to make a concentrated cannabis extract using a volatile solvent is prohibited.

(n) Indoor cultivation shall occur only within a legal structure that meets the definition of indoor and complies with all applicable provisions of the County's General Plan, Zoning Ordinance, and California Building Code.

4. Permits required

i. Cannabis indoor cultivation and cannabis mixed-light cultivation:

(a) All applicable building permits shall be obtained.

(b) Adult, qualified patient, and primary caregiver cannabis cultivation on a single family lot does not require a zoning permit.

(c) Any accessory structure, i.e. a shed or greenhouse, used for cultivation of cannabis on a lot of record zoned for multi-family with an apartment building or a manufactured home park requires a zoning permit.

Section 4. Commercial Cannabis Cultivation

Subsection (at) of Section 27.13 of Chapter 21 of the Lake County Code is hereby added and shall read as follows:

(at) Commercial Cannabis Cultivation

1. Definitions

i. Bureau: The State of California Bureau of Cannabis Control within the Department of Consumer Affairs.

ii. CalCannabis cultivation licensing: A division of the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA), ensures public safety and environmental protection by licensing and regulating commercial cannabis cultivators in California or its successor agency.

iii. Cannabis: All parts of the plant *Cannabis sativa* (Linnaeus), *Cannabis indica*, or *Cannabis ruderalis*, or any hybrid thereof, whether growing or not; the seeds thereof; the resin, whether crude or purified, extracted from any part of the plant; and every compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture, or preparation of the plant, its seeds, or resin. "Cannabis" also means the separated resin, whether crude or purified, obtained from cannabis. "Cannabis" does not include the mature stalks of the plant, fiber produced from the stalks, oil or cake made from the seeds of the plant, any other compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture, or preparation of the mature stalks (except the resin extracted therefrom), fiber, oil, or cake, or the sterilized seed of the plant which is incapable of

- germination. For the purpose of this division, “cannabis” does not mean “industrial hemp” as defined by Section 11018.5 of the Health and Safety Code.
- iv. Cannabis applicant: As defined by Section 26001 of the California Business and Professions Code.
 - v. Cannabis canopy: The designated area(s) at a licensed premises, except nurseries, that will contain mature plants at any point in time, as follows: (1) Canopy shall be calculated in square feet and measured using clearly identifiable boundaries of all area(s) that will contain mature plants at any point in time, including all of the space(s) within the boundaries; (2) Canopy may be noncontiguous but each unique area included in the total canopy calculation shall be separated by an identifiable boundary that includes, but is not limited to, interior walls, shelves, greenhouse walls, garden benches, hedgerows, fencing, garden beds, or garden plots; and (3) If mature plants are being cultivated using a shelving system, the surface area of each level shall be included in the total canopy calculation.
 - vi. Cannabis cooperative associations: Any cannabis cooperative that is organized pursuant to Chapter 22 (commencing with Section 26229) of Division 10 of the California Business and Professions Code. An association shall be deemed incorporated pursuant to that chapter, or organized pursuant to that chapter and shall be deemed a cultivator of a cannabis product within the meaning of that chapter, if it is functioning under, or is subject to, the provisions of that chapter, irrespective of whether it was originally incorporated pursuant to those provisions or was incorporated under other provisions.
 - vii. Cannabis cultivation: Any activity involving the germinating, cloning, seed production, planting, growing, and harvesting of cannabis plants and the on-site drying, curing, grading, or trimming of cannabis plants.
 - viii. Cannabis cultivation area: The area of a cannabis cultivation site in square feet.
 - ix. Cannabis cultivation site: A location where cannabis is planted, grown, harvested, dried, cured, graded, packaged, stored, or trimmed, or that does all or any combination of those activities.
 - x. Commercial cannabis activity: includes the cultivation, possession, manufacture, distribution, processing, storing, laboratory testing, packaging, labeling, transportation, delivery or sale of cannabis and cannabis products for commercial purposes.
 - xi. Commercial cannabis cultivation: includes the planting, growing, harvesting, drying, curing, grading, or trimming of cannabis, or that does all or any combination of those activities and possessing an M – Type 1, A – Type 1, M – Type 1A, A – Type 1A, M – Type 1B, A – Type 1B, M – Type 1C, A – Type 1C, M – Type 2, A – Type 2, M – Type 2A, A – Type 2A, M – Type 2B, A – Type 2B, M – Type 3, A – Type 3, M – Type 3A, A – Type 3A, M – Type 3B, A – Type 3B, M-Type 4, or A-Type 4 license.
 - xii. Cannabis Indoor cultivation: The cultivation of cannabis using light deprivation and/or artificial lighting below a rate of 25 watts per square foot. Cultivation within a greenhouse

not using light deprivation and/or artificial lighting, shall not be considered indoor cultivation.

xiii. Cannabis cultivation licenses

- (a) M - Type 1: "specialty outdoor": Outdoor cultivation for medicinal cannabis without the use of light deprivation and/or artificial lighting in the canopy area at any point in time of less than or equal to 5,000 square feet of total canopy size on one premises, or up to 50 mature plants on noncontiguous plots.
- (b) A - Type 1: "specialty outdoor": Outdoor cultivation for adult use cannabis without the use of light deprivation and/or artificial lighting in the canopy area at any point in time of less than or equal to 5,000 square feet of total canopy size on one premises, or up to 50 mature plants on noncontiguous plots.
- (c) M - Type 1A: "specialty indoor": Indoor cultivation for medicinal cannabis within a permanent structure using exclusively artificial light or within any type of structure using artificial light at a rate above twenty-five watts per square foot between 501 and 5,000 square feet of total canopy size on one premises.
- (d) A - Type 1A: "specialty indoor": Indoor cultivation for adult use cannabis within a permanent structure using exclusively artificial light or within any type of structure using artificial light at a rate above twenty-five watts per square foot between 501 and 5,000 square feet of total canopy size on one premises.
- (e) M - Type 1B: "specialty mixed-light": Cultivation for medicinal cannabis in a greenhouse, glasshouse, conservatory, hothouse, or other similar structure using light deprivation and/or artificial lighting below a rate of 25 watts per square foot of between 2,501 and 5,000 square feet of total canopy size on one premises.
- (f) A - Type 1B: "specialty mixed-light": Cultivation for adult use cannabis in a greenhouse, glasshouse, conservatory, hothouse, or other similar structure using light deprivation and/or artificial lighting below a rate of 25 watts per square foot of between 2,501 and 5,000 square feet of total canopy size on one premises.
- (g) M - Type 1C: "specialty cottage": Cultivation for medicinal cannabis of 2,500 square feet or less of total canopy size for mixed-light cultivation using light deprivation and/or artificial lighting below a rate of 25 watts per square foot, up to 25 mature plants for outdoor cultivation without the use of light deprivation and/or artificial lighting in the canopy area at any point in time, or 500 square feet or less of total canopy size for indoor cultivation within a permanent structure using exclusively artificial light or within any type of structure using artificial light at a rate above twenty-five watts per square foot, on one premises.
- (h) A - Type 1C: "specialty cottage": Cultivation for adult use cannabis of 2,500 square feet or less of total canopy size for mixed-light cultivation using light deprivation and/or artificial lighting below a rate of 25 watts per square foot, up to 25 mature plants for

1 outdoor cultivation without the use of light deprivation and/or artificial lighting in the
2 canopy area at any point in time, or 500 square feet or less of total canopy size for
3 indoor cultivation within a permanent structure using exclusively artificial light or within
4 any type of structure using artificial light at a rate above twenty-five watts per square
5 foot, on one premises.

6 (i) M - Type 2: "small outdoor": Outdoor cultivation for medicinal cannabis without the use
7 of light deprivation and/or artificial lighting in the canopy area at any point in time
8 between 5,001 and 10,000 square feet, inclusive, of total canopy size on one premises.

9 (j) A - Type 2: "small outdoor": Outdoor cultivation for adult use cannabis without the use
10 of light deprivation and/or artificial lighting in the canopy area at any point in time
11 between 5,001 and 10,000 square feet, inclusive, of total canopy size on one premises.

12 (k) M - Type 2A: "small indoor": Indoor cultivation for medicinal cannabis within a
13 permanent structure using exclusively artificial light or within any type of structure using
14 artificial light at a rate above twenty-five watts per square foot between 5,001 and
15 10,000 square feet, inclusive, of total canopy size on one premises.

16 (l) A - Type 2A: "small indoor": Indoor cultivation for adult use cannabis within a
17 permanent structure using exclusively artificial light or within any type of structure using
18 artificial light at a rate above twenty-five watts per square foot between 5,001 and
19 10,000 square feet, inclusive, of total canopy size on one premises.

20 (m) M - Type 2B: "small mixed-light": Cultivation for medicinal cannabis in a greenhouse,
21 glasshouse, conservatory, hothouse, or other similar structure using light deprivation
22 and/or artificial lighting below a rate of 25 watts per square foot between 5,001 and
23 10,000 square feet, inclusive, of total canopy size on one premises.

24 (n) A - Type 2B: "small mixed-light": Cultivation for adult use cannabis in a greenhouse,
25 glasshouse, conservatory, hothouse, or other similar structure using light deprivation
26 and/or artificial lighting below a rate of 25 watts per square foot between 5,001 and
27 10,000 square feet, inclusive, of total canopy size on one premises.

28 (o) M - Type 3: "outdoor": Outdoor cultivation for medicinal cannabis without the use of
29 light deprivation and/or artificial lighting in the canopy area at any point in time from
30 10,001 square feet to one acre, inclusive, of total canopy size on one premises.

31 (p) A - Type 3: "outdoor": Outdoor cultivation for adult use cannabis without the use of
32 light deprivation and/or artificial lighting in the canopy area at any point in time from
33 10,001 square feet to one acre, inclusive, of total canopy size on one premises.

34 (q) M - Type 3A: "indoor": Indoor cultivation for medicinal cannabis within a permanent
35 structure using exclusively artificial light or within any type of structure using artificial
36 light at a rate above twenty-five watts per square foot between 10,001 and 22,000
37 square feet, inclusive, of total canopy size on one premises.

- (r) A - Type 3A: "indoor": Indoor cultivation for adult use cannabis within a permanent structure using exclusively artificial light or within any type of structure using artificial light at a rate above twenty-five watts per square foot between 10,001 and 22,000 square feet, inclusive, of total canopy size on one premises.
- (s) M - Type 3B: "mixed-light": Cultivation for medicinal cannabis in a greenhouse, glasshouse, conservatory, hothouse, or other similar structure using light deprivation and/or artificial lighting below a rate of 25 watts per square foot between 10,001 and 22,000 square feet, inclusive, of total canopy size on one premises.
- (t) A - Type 3B: "mixed-light": Cultivation for adult use cannabis in a greenhouse, glasshouse, conservatory, hothouse, or other similar structure using light deprivation and/or artificial lighting below a rate of 25 watts per square foot between 10,001 and 22,000 square feet, inclusive, of total canopy size on one premises.
- (u) M – Type 4: "nursery": Cultivation of medicinal cannabis solely as a nursery.
- (v) A – Type 4: "nursery": Cultivation of adult use cannabis solely as a nursery.
- xiv. Cannabis mixed-light cultivation: The cultivation of cannabis in a greenhouse, glasshouse, conservatory, hothouse, or other similar structure using light deprivation and/or artificial lighting below a rate of 25 watts per square foot.
- xv. Cannabis nursery: A site that produces only clones, immature plants, seeds, and other agricultural products used specifically for the propagation and cultivation of cannabis.
- xvi. Cannabis outdoor Cultivation: Cultivation of cannabis without the use of light deprivation and/or artificial lighting in the canopy area. Supplemental low intensity lighting is permissible only to maintain immature plants as a source of propagation. For the purpose of this section, cultivation within a greenhouse without supplemental light are considered outdoor cultivation.
- xvii. Cannabis product: Cannabis that has undergone a process whereby the plant material has been transformed into a concentrate, including, but not limited to, concentrated cannabis, or an edible or topical product containing cannabis or concentrated cannabis and other ingredients.
- xviii. Day care center: Has the same meaning as in Section 1596.76 of the California Health and Safety Code.
- xix. Design professional: As defined in the California Civil Code, Division 4 General Provisions, Part 6 Works of Improvement, Title 1 Works of Improvement Generally, Article 1 Definitions.
- xx. Enforcement official: As used in this Article, shall mean the Lake County Sheriff, Community Development Director, Chief Building Official, Environmental Health Director, or any other official authorized to enforce local, state or federal laws.
- xxi. Fence: A wall or a barrier connected by boards, masonry, rails, panels, wire or any other materials approved by the Community Development Department for the purpose of

enclosing space or separating parcels of land. The term “fence” does not include retaining walls, plastic, tarp, bamboo coverings, corrugated metal, or other materials not designed or manufactured for use as a fence.

xxii. Greenhouse (Cannabis): An outdoor structure, heated or unheated, constructed primarily of glass, 6 mil film, polycarbonate, or other rigid translucent material, which is devoted to the cultivation of cannabis.

xxiii. Grow room: The area designated in a principal structure where the cultivation and processing of cannabis for personal, qualified patient, or primary caregiver use occurs.

xxiv. Hazardous material - Hazardous material means a material that, because of its quantity, concentration, or physical or chemical characteristics, poses a significant present or potential hazard to human health and safety or to the environment if released into the workplace or the environment or as defined in Health and Safety Code 25501.

xxv. Hazardous waste - hazardous waste means a waste that meets any of the criteria for the identification of a hazardous waste adopted by the department pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 25141

xxvi. Hazardous waste generator: A generator is any person, by site, whose act or process produces hazardous waste identified or listed in Chapter 11 of the hazardous waste regulations or whose act first causes a hazardous waste to become subject to regulation

(a) Large quantity generator: Generators of 1,000 kg or more of hazardous waste per month, excluding universal wastes, and/or more than 1 kg of acutely or extremely hazardous per month.

(b) Small quantity generator: Generators of less than 1,000 kg of hazardous waste per month, excluding universal wastes, and/or 1kg or less of acutely or extremely hazardous waste per month

xxvii. Hoop-house: An unheated outdoor enclosure used for the purpose of growing and/or for protecting seedlings and plants from cold weather but not containing any mechanical or electrical systems or storage of any items. Typically, a hoop-house is of semi-circular design made of, but not limited to, piping or other material covered with translucent material.

xxviii. Immature cannabis plant: A cannabis plant that is not flowering.

xxix. Indoor: Within a fully enclosed and secure structure that complies with the California Building Standards Code (Title 24 California Code of Regulations), as adopted by the County of Lake, that has a complete roof enclosure supported by connecting walls extending from the ground to the roof, and a foundation, slab, or equivalent base to which the floor is securely attached. The structure must be secure against unauthorized entry, accessible only through one or more lockable doors, and constructed of solid materials that cannot easily be broken through, such as standard 2" x 4" or thicker studs overlain with 3/8" or thicker plywood or equivalent materials.

- xxx. License: A California state license issued pursuant to the California Business and Professions Code, including both an A- and an M- cultivation license.
- xxxi. Mature cannabis plant: A cannabis plant that is flowering.
- xxxii. Medicinal cannabis: Also “medicinal cannabis product”. Cannabis or a cannabis product, respectively, intended to be sold for use pursuant to the Compassionate Use Act of 1996 (Proposition 215), found at Section 11362.5 of the Health and Safety Code, by a medicinal cannabis patient in California who possesses a physician’s recommendation.
- xxxiii. Mixed-light cultivation: Cultivation of mature cannabis in a greenhouse, glasshouse, conservatory, hothouse, or other similar structure using light deprivation and/or one of the artificial lighting models described below: (1) “Mixed-light Tier 1” the use of artificial light at a rate of six watts per square foot or less; (2) “Mixed-light Tier 2” the use of artificial light at a rate above six and below or equal to twenty-five watts per square foot.
- xxxiv. Organic certification: Certified by an independent third-party organization as meeting the equivalent of State or federal organic standards.
- xxxv. Owner: As defined by Section 26001 of the California Business and Professions Code.
- xxxvi. Person: An individual, firm, partnership, joint venture, association, corporation, limited liability company, estate, trust, business trust, receiver, syndicate, or any other group or combination acting as a unit, and includes the plural as well as the singular.
- xxxvii. Pest: Any of the following that is, or is liable to become, dangerous or detrimental to the agricultural or nonagricultural environment of the state: (1) Any insect, predatory animal, rodent, nematode or weed; and (2) Any form of terrestrial, aquatic, or aerial plant or animal virus, fungus, bacteria, or other microorganism (except viruses, fungi, bacteria, or other microorganisms on or in living man or other living animals).
- xxxviii. Pesticide: Shall have the same meaning as set forth in Article 1, Division 6, Section 6000 of the California Code of Regulations, and Article 1, Division 7, Section 12753 of the California Food and Agriculture Code.
- xxxix. Premises: The designated structure or structures and land specified in the application that is owned, leased, or otherwise held under the control of the applicant or permittee where the commercial cannabis activity will be or is conducted. The premises shall be a contiguous area.
- xl. School: For the purpose of cannabis regulation, school means any public or private school providing instruction in kindergarten or any grades 1 to 12, inclusive, but does not include any private school in which education is primarily conducted in private homes.
- xli. State license: A state license issued pursuant to the California Business and Professions Code.
- xlii. Youth center: The same meaning as in Section 11353.1.e.2 of the Health and Safety Code.

2. Enforcement

- i. A violation of any provision of this Section or any condition of a major use permits or minor use permits is subject to the enforcement and penalties provisions of Article 61.2 Authorization of Responsibilities, Article 61.3 Arrest and Citation Powers, and 61.4 Penalties of this Chapter.
- ii. The use of land, buildings, or premises established, operated, or maintained contrary to the provisions of this subsection; any condition dangerous to human life, unsafe, or detrimental to the public health or safety; and the existence of loud or unusual noises which are not already regulated through an approved use permit, or foul or noxious odors, not already regulated by the Lake County Air Quality Management District, which offend the peace and quiet of persons of ordinary sensibilities and which interferes with the comfortable enjoyment of life or property and affect the entire neighborhood or any considerable number of persons are declared to be a nuisance subject to the enforcement procedures of Chapter 13 of the Lake County Ordinance Code.
- iii. Persons involved in unfair, dishonest, deceptive, destructive, fraudulent and discriminatory practices by which fair and honest competition is destroyed or prevented are subject to enforcement procedures of the California Unfair Practices Act (Business and Profession Code, Division 7. General Business Regulations, Part 2 Preservation and Regulation of Competition, Chapter 4. Unfair Trade Practices).
- iv. A Minor Use Permit or Major Use Permit may be revoked under the procedures set forth in section 21-60.10 Revocation of Permits.

3. Development standards, general requirements, and restrictions

- i. Development standards

License	Minimum Lot Size (acres)	Setback from property line	Setback from off-site residences	Height Limitation of structures	Number of Living Cannabis Plants	Number of Mature Cannabis Plants	Minimum fence height (feet)	Maximum fence height (feet)	Maximum canopy area (Sq. ft.)	Maximum cultivation area (sq. ft.)
Cannabis cultivation (greenhouse, mixed light, or indoors only) by a Qualified Patient on lot of record less than 5 acres in size	Base Zoning	Base Zoning	N/A	Base Zoning	6 mature, 12 immature per qualified patient	6 per qualified patient	6	8	N/A	100 per qualified patient
Cannabis cultivation by a Qualified Patient on lot of record more than 5 acres in size	5 outside of CGB	75	150	Base Zoning	6 mature, 12 immature per qualified patient	6 per qualified patient, 30 maximum	6	8	N/A	100 per qualified patient
Cannabis cultivation (greenhouse, mixed light, or indoors only) by a Primary Caregiver on lot of record less than 5 acres in size	base Zoning	Base Zoning	N/A	Base Zoning	6 mature, 12 immature per qualified patient, 30 mature and 30 immature maximum	6 per qualified patient, 30 maximum	6	8	N/A	100 per qualified patient, 500 maximum
Cannabis cultivation by a Primary Caregiver on lot of record more than 5 acres in size	5 outside of CGB	75	150	Base Zoning	6 mature, 12 immature per qualified patient, 30 mature and 60 immature maximum	N/A	6	8	N/A	100 per qualified patient, 500 maximum
Cannabis cultivation Outdoor not including greenhouse for personal adult use	5 outside of CGB	75	150	Base Zoning	6	6	6	8	N/A	100

Cannabis cultivation in a greenhouse, mixed light, or indoors for personal adult use	base Zoning	Base Zoning	N/A	Base Zoning	6	6	6	8	N/A	100
Cannabis cultivation in a duplex, triplex, or apartment building for personal adult use	Base Zoning	Base Zoning	N/A	Base Zoning	6	6	6	8	N/A	100
M – Type 1 and A – Type 1	20	100	200	Base Zoning	75	50	6	8	5,000	10,000
M – Type 1A, A – Type 1A, M – Type 1B, and A – Type 1B	20	100	200	Base Zoning	N/A	N/A	6	8	5,000	10,000
M – Type 1C mixed light	5	100	200	Base Zoning	N/A	N/A	6	8	2,500	5,000
M – Type 1C outdoor	5	100	200	Base Zoning	50	25	6	8	2,500	5,000
M – Type 1C indoor	5	100	200	Base Zoning	N/A	N/A	6	8	500	1,500
A – Type 1C Mixed light	5	100	200	Base Zoning	N/A	N/A	6	8	2,500	5,000
A – Type 1C outdoor	5	100	200	Base Zoning	50	25	6	8	2,500	5,000
A – Type 1C indoor	5	100	200	Base Zoning	N/A	N/A	6	8	500	1,500
M – Type 2, A – Type 2, M – Type 2A, A – Type 2A, M – Type 2B, and A – Type 2B	20	100	200	Base Zoning	N/A	N/A	6	8	10,000	20,000
M – Type 3 and A – Type 3	20	100	200	Base Zoning	N/A	N/A	6	8	43,560	65,000
M – Type 3A, A – Type 3A, M – Type 3B, A – Type 3B, M – Type 4, and A – Type 4	20	100	200	Base Zoning	N/A	N/A	6	8	22,000	43,560

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- 2 (a) The Zoning Administrator or Planning Commission may consider exceptions to the
- 3 development standards because of special circumstances applicable to the subject
- 4 property, including size, shape, topography, location or surroundings, the strict
- 5 application of the development standards of this sub-section are found to deprive
- 6 subject property of privileges enjoyed by other properties in the vicinity and under
- 7 identical zone classification.
- 8 (b) Application for an exception shall be made in writing by the owner of the property; or
- 9 lessee, with the written consent of the property owner on a form prescribed by the
- 10 Department. The application shall be accompanied by a fee in an amount to be set by
- 11 the Board of Supervisors. A plan of the details of the variance requested, other
- 12 pertinent information required by the Department and evidence showing 1) that the
- 13 granting of the exception will not be contrary to the intent of this sub-section or to the
- 14 public safety, health and welfare, and 2) that due to special conditions or exceptional
- 15 characteristics of the property, or its location, the strict application of this sub-section
- 16 would result in practical difficulties and unnecessary hardships; and deprives such
- 17 property of privileges enjoyed by other properties in the vicinity and identical zoning
- 18 district.
- 19 (c) A public hearing shall be held on any application for an exception. Notice of any public
- 20 hearing shall be given as provided in Article 57.
- 21 (d) The Zoning Administrator or Planning Commission may only approve or conditionally
- 22 approve an exception if all of the following findings are made:
- 23 a. That because of special circumstances applicable to subject property, including size,
- 24 shape, topography, location or surroundings, the strict application of the
- 25 development standards of this sub-section are found to deprive subject property of
- 26 privileges enjoyed by other properties in the vicinity and under identical zone
- 27 classification;
- 28 b. That any exception granted is subject to such conditions as will assure that the
- 29 adjustment thereby authorized shall not constitute a grant of special privilege
- 30 inconsistent with the limitations upon other properties in the vicinity and district in
- 31 which the subject property is situate; and
- 32 c. That the granting of the exception is in accordance with the intent of this Chapter, is
- 33 consistent with the General Plan and will not be detrimental to the public safety,
- 34 health and welfare, or injurious to other properties in the vicinity.

35 ii. General Requirements

- 36 (a) State license and permits required.

37 A person or entity shall not engage in the commercial cultivation of cannabis without first

38 obtaining a Lake County minor or major use permit, a state cannabis cultivation license, and

1 applicable permits, such as from Department of Cannabis Control, Department of Food and
2 Agriculture, Department of Pesticide Regulation, Department of Fish and Wildlife, The State
3 Water Resources Control Board, Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, Central Valley or
4 North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board, Department of Public Health, and
5 Department of Consumer Affairs, as appropriate.

6 (b) Notification to the Bureau of Cannabis Control

7 The Department shall notify the Bureau of Cannabis Control and/or CalCannabis Cultivation
8 Licensing Division upon revocation of any local license, permit, or authorization for a
9 permittee to engage in commercial cannabis activity within the local jurisdiction.

10 (c) Records

- 11 a. An applicant shall keep accurate records of commercial cannabis activity.
- 12 b. All records related to commercial cannabis activity as defined by the state licensing
13 authorities shall be maintained for a minimum of seven years.
- 14 c. The County may examine the books and records of an applicant and inspect the
15 premises of a permittee when the County deems necessary to perform its duties
16 under this division. All inspections shall be conducted during standard business
17 hours of the permitted facility or at any other reasonable time.
- 18 d. Applicants shall keep records identified by the County on the premises of the
19 location permitted. The County may make any examination of the records of any
20 applicant. Applicants shall also provide and deliver copies of such documents to the
21 County upon request.
- 22 e. An applicant, or its agent or employee, that refuses, impedes, obstructs, or
23 interferes with an inspection of the premises or records of the applicant pursuant to
24 this section, has engaged in a violation of this article.

25 (d) Applicant

26 If the applicant is other than a natural person (including general partnerships of more
27 than one individual natural person), the applicant must provide documentation
28 regarding the nature of the entity and the names of the individual natural persons who
29 manage, own or control the entity. The most common entities are corporations, limited
30 liability companies (LLCs), limited partnerships (LPs), or trusts. These entities can be
31 multi-layered and/or interlocking, e.g. a corporation can be owned by another
32 corporation. If that is the case, documents for those other related entities are needed
33 until the individual natural persons who manage, own or control the entities can be
34 identified.

35 a. For Corporations:

- 36 (1) Articles of Incorporation – file stamped by the state agency where incorporated.

- (2) If not a California Corporation, the registration filed to do business in California must be stamped by the CA Secretary of State.
 - (3) A list of the officers and directors of the corporation (this could be a single person).
 - (4) The agent for service of process and business office address in California.
 - (5) A list of the shareholders of the corporation (again, it could be a single person and the same as the officer/director). If it is a large, publicly held corporation with many shareholders, contact the Department for direction.
 - (6) If a non-profit mutual benefit corporation (common under pre-MMRSA practice for cannabis operations), a list of the members instead of the shareholders.
 - (7) A resolution of the board of directors authorizing the individual who will sign the application and other documents on behalf of the corporation to do so.
- b. For Cannabis Cooperative Associations:
- (1) Articles of Incorporation – file stamped by the state agency where incorporated.
 - (2) A list of the officers and directors of the corporation.
 - (3) The agent for service of process and business office address in California.
 - (4) A list of the shareholders of the cooperative association. For the purpose of associations organized without shares of stock, the members shall be deemed to be “shareholders” as the term is used in the General Corporation Law.
 - (5) By-laws
 - (6) A resolution of the Board of Directors authorizing the individual who will sign the application and other documents on behalf of the corporation to do so.
- c. For Limited Liability Companies:
- (1) Articles of Organization – file stamped by the state agency where formed If not a California LLC, or the registration to do business in California file stamped by the CA Secretary of State.
 - (2) A list of the managing member or members of the company.
 - (3) The agent for service of process and business office address in California.
 - (4) A list of any other members of the company.
 - (5) The application and other documents submitted on behalf of the LLC must be signed by a managing member.
- d. For Limited Partnerships:
- (1) Certificate of Limited Partnership – file stamped by the state agency where filed.

1 (2) If not a California LP, the registration to do business in California file must be
2 stamped by the CA Secretary of State.

3 (3) The identity of the General Partner or partners.

4 (4) The agent for service of process and business office address in California.

5 (5) A list of the limited partners of the LP.

6 (6) The application and other documents submitted on behalf of the LP must be
7 signed by a general partner.

8 e. For Trusts:

9 (1) The Declaration of Trust or Statement of Trust.

10 (2) The name and address of the Trustee or trustees.

11 (3) A list of the names beneficiaries of the trust with a vested interest in the
12 property held by the trust (check with County Counsel for explanation and
13 details if needed).

14 (4) The application and other documents submitted on behalf of the trust must be
15 signed by a Trustee.

16 (e) Background Checks:

17 All applicants and employees shall undergo a background check by the Lake County
18 Sheriff Department. An individual may fail the background check if employee has been
19 convicted of an offense that is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or
20 duties of the business or profession for which the application is made, except that if the
21 sheriff determines that the applicant or permittee is otherwise suitable to be issued a
22 license and granting the license would not compromise public safety, the sheriff shall
23 conduct a thorough review of the nature of the crime, conviction, circumstances, and
24 evidence of rehabilitation of the applicant, and shall evaluate the suitability of the
25 applicant or permittee be issued a license based on the evidence found through the
26 review. In determining which offenses are substantially related to the qualifications,
27 functions, or duties of the business or profession for which the application is made, the
28 sheriff shall include, but not be limited to, the conditions described in Section 26057 of
29 the California Business and Professions Code.

30 a. Application for Background Clearance for County Permit

31 (1) An applicant for commercial cannabis cultivation permit shall do all of the
32 following:

33 (i) Require that each applicant and employee electronically submit to the
34 Department of Justice fingerprint images and related information required
35 by the Department of Justice for the purpose of obtaining information as to
36 the existence and content of a record of state or federal convictions and

1 arrests, and information as to the existence and content of a record of state
2 or federal convictions and arrests for which the Department of Justice
3 establishes that the person is free on bail or on his or her own recognizance,
4 pending trial or appeal.

5 (ii) The Sheriff's Office shall request from the Department of Justice subsequent
6 notification service, as provided pursuant to Section 11105.2 of the Penal
7 Code, for applicants.

8 (iii) The applicant will be responsible to pay any fee the Department of Justice
9 charges that is set by the Department of Justice and sufficient to cover the
10 reasonable cost of processing the requests described in this paragraph.

11 (f) Qualifications for a Minor or Major Use Permit:

12 The County may deny a minor or major use permit (permit) or the renewal of a permit if
13 any of the following conditions apply:

14 a. Failure to comply with the provisions of this chapter or any rule or regulation
15 adopted pursuant to this chapter, including but not limited to, any requirement
16 imposed to protect natural resources, in-stream flow, water quality, and fish and
17 wildlife.

18 b. The applicant has failed to provide information required by the Lake County Zoning
19 Ordinance.

20 (g) The applicant, owner, or permittee has been convicted of an offense that is substantially
21 related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of the business or profession for which
22 the application is made, except that if the Lake County Sheriff finds that the applicant,
23 owner, or permittee is otherwise suitable to be issued a permit, and granting the permit
24 would not compromise public safety, the Lake County Sheriff shall conduct a thorough
25 review of the nature of the crime, conviction, circumstances, and evidence of
26 rehabilitation of the applicant or owner, and shall evaluate the suitability of the
27 applicant, owner, or permittee to be issued a permit based on the evidence found
28 through the review.

29 (h) Property Owner's Approval:

30 If the property where the cannabis activity is to be located is not owned by the
31 applicant, written approval shall be obtained from the property owner(s), containing the
32 property owner(s) notarized signature that authorizes the tenant or lessee to cultivate
33 cannabis at the site. A copy of the written approval shall be maintained by the tenant or
34 lessee and made available for review by enforcement officials upon request. Written
35 approvals shall be renewed annually.

1 (i) Collocation of Permits

2 Up to four cultivation permits may be allowed on a single parcel provided that each
3 permit meets the minimum acreage requirement and all other development standards.

4 (j) Permitted activities:

5 The following uses in connection with the cultivation of cannabis:

6 a. Cultivation of cannabis

7 b. Cannabis processing such as drying, curing, grading, packaging, or trimming

8 c. Accessory uses related to the planting, growing, harvesting, drying, curing, grading,
9 or the trimming of cannabis

10 (k) Operating Hours:

11 Deliveries and pick-ups are restricted as follows:

12 a. Monday through Saturday: 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

13 b. Sunday: 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

14 (l) Duration of Permits:

15 Commercial cannabis cultivation permit duration: not to exceed ten (10) years.

16 (m) Track and Trace:

17 All permittees shall comply with the State of California Track and Trace requirements

18 (n) Weights and Measures

19 All permittees shall comply with the State of California Weights and Measures
20 requirements found in the California Food and Agriculture Code, California Code of
21 Regulations, and the California Business and Professions Code.

22 (o) Access Standards

23 a. Any site where a cannabis related activity is permitted shall have access to a public
24 road or a recorded easement that allows for, but not limited to, delivery trucks,
25 emergency vehicles, sheriff and other law enforcement officers, and government
26 employees who are responsible for inspection or enforcement actions. Driveway
27 encroachments onto County-maintained roadways shall be constructed to current
28 County standards and shall be constructed with an encroachment permit obtained
29 from the Department of Public Works.

30 b. All driveways shall be constructed and maintained so as to prevent road surface and
31 fill material from discharging to any surface water body

32 c. The design of all access to and driveways providing access to the site where the
33 cannabis related activity that is permitted shall be sufficient to be used by all
34 emergency vehicles and shall be approved by the applicable fire district.

d. Gates shall not be constructed across driveways or access roads that are used by neighboring properties or the general public. Gates constructed across public access easements are subject to removal per State Street and Highway Codes.

iii. Prohibited Activities

(a) Tree Removal

The removal of any commercial tree species as defined by the California Code of Regulations section 895.1, Commercial Species for the Coast Forest District and Northern Forest District, and the removal of any true oak species (*Quercus* species) or Tan Oak (*Notholithocarpus* species.) for the purpose of developing a cannabis cultivation site should be avoided and minimized. This shall not include the pruning of any such tree species for the health of the tree or the removal of such trees if necessary for safety or disease concerns.

(b) Water use

The utilization of water that has been or is illegally diverted from any lake, spring, wetland, stream, creek, vernal pool, or river is prohibited.

(c) Odor

Cannabis related permits shall not propagate objectionable odors which cause injury, detriment, nuisance, or annoyance to any considerable number of persons or to the public, or that endanger the comfort, repose, health, or safety of any of those persons or the public.

(d) Electrical Generators

The indoor or mixed-light cultivation of cannabis shall not rely on a personal gasoline, diesel, propane, or similar fuels, powered generator as a primary source of power and shall only allow properly permitted (when applicable) generators for temporary use in the event of a power outage or emergency that is beyond the permittee's control.

(e) Lights

All lights used for cannabis related permits including indoor or mixed light cultivation of cannabis shall be fully contained within structures or otherwise shielded to fully contain any light or glare involved in the cultivation process. Artificial light shall be completely shielded between sunset and sunrise.

Security lighting shall be motion activated and all outdoor lighting shall be shielded and downcast or otherwise positioned in a manner that will not shine light or allow light glare to exceed the boundaries of the lot of record upon which they are placed.

(f) Pesticide

The use any pesticide that has been banned for use in the state is prohibited.

1 iv. Protection of Minors

2 (a) No permittee shall:

- 3 a. Sell, transfer or give cannabis or cannabis products to persons under 21 years of
4 age;
5 b. Allow any person under 21 years of age into the cultivation area; pr.
6 c. Employ or retain persons under 21 years of age.

7 v. Commercial Cannabis Cultivation Exclusion Areas

8 Commercial cannabis cultivation is prohibited in the following areas:

9 (a) Within any of the following that is in existence at the time the permit is issued:

- 10 a. Community Growth Boundary as described in the Lake County General Plan,
11 b. SOS combining district,
12 c. Public lands,
13 d. A water service sphere of influence,
14 e. An incorporated city sphere of influence,
15 f. Any public or private school, grades 1 through 12,
16 g. A developed public park containing playground equipment,
17 h. A drug or alcohol rehabilitation facility, or
18 i. A licensed child care facility or nursery school, church or youth-oriented facility
19 catering to or providing services primarily intended for minors.

20 (b) Within 1,000 feet of the following that is in existence at the time the permit is issued:

- 21 a. Any public or private school, grades 1 through 12,
22 b. A developed public park containing playground equipment,
23 c. A drug or alcohol rehabilitation facility, or
24 d. A licensed child care or daycare facility or nursery school, church or youth-oriented
25 facility catering to or providing services primarily intended for minors.
26 e. A Community Growth Boundary as described in the Lake County General Plan,
27 f. A water service sphere of influence,
28 g. Federal Indian Trust Lands,
29 h. Incorporated city sphere of influence

30 The distance specified in this section shall be the horizontal distance measured in a
31 straight line from a Community Growth Boundary, a water service or incorporated city

sphere of influence, or the boundary of a Federal Indian Trust Lands to the boundaries of the parcel were the commercial cannabis cultivation site is located.

- (c) Within areas designated as prime farmland, farmland of statewide importance, unique farmland, and farmland of local importance as depicted on Lake County Important Farmland 2014 prepared by the State of California Department of Conservation Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program commercial cannabis cultivation shall be limited to indoor, mixed light, and greenhouses that are equipped with filtrations systems that prevents the movement of odors, pesticides, and other air borne contaminates out of or into the structure. The permitting authority may allow outdoor cultivation outside a greenhouse if the prime farmland, farmland of statewide importance, unique farmland, and farmland of local importance are isolated areas that are not connected to a large system of such lands.

4. Permitting process

i. Permits

- (a) There are four different permit types for the commercial cultivation of cannabis:
 - a. Minor Use Permit for legal, non-conforming, and Article 72 compliant cultivation site
 - b. Minor Use Permit: A minor use permit is required for the following cannabis cultivation licenses: M – Type 1, A – Type 1, M – Type 1A, A – Type 1A, M – Type 1B, A – Type 1B, M – Type 1C, A – Type 1C, M – Type 2, A – Type 2, M – Type 2A, A – Type 2A, M – Type 2B, A – Type 2B, M – Type 4, or A – Type 4 licenses
 - c. Major Use Permit: A major use permit is required for the following cannabis cultivation licenses: M – Type 3, A – Type 3, M – Type 3A, A – Type 3A, M – Type 3B, or A – Type 3B licenses
 - d. Early activation of a commercial cannabis cultivation permit
- (b) The number of minor and major use permits for commercial cannabis cultivation that one applicant may hold is limited to four within Lake County.
- (c) Minor Use Permit for Commercial cannabis cultivation, Article 72 compliant
The following requirements shall be met:
 - a. A person who holds a Conditional Certificate of Recognition of Compliance may apply for a legal non-conforming minor use permit for an M – Type 1, A – Type 1, M – Type 1A, A – Type 1A, M – Type 1B, A – Type 1B, M – Type 1C, or A – Type 1C license.
 - b. A minor use permit application shall be submitted to the Department.
 - c. All fees as established by the Board of Supervisors shall be paid at the time of application submittal.

- 1 d. In addition to the requirements of Article 55, the following additional information
2 shall be provided:
- 3 (1) The legal business name of the applicant entity.
- 4 (2) The license type, pursuant to the California Department of Food and Agriculture
5 cannabis cultivation program regulations, for which the applicant is applying
6 and whether the application is for an M-license or A-license;
- 7 (3) A list of all the types, including the license numbers of valid licenses, from the
8 department and other cannabis licensing authorities that the applicant already
9 holds;
- 10 (4) The physical address of the premises;
- 11 (5) The mailing address of the applicant;
- 12 (6) A designated responsible party, who shall also be an owner, with legal authority
13 to bind the applicant entity, and the primary contact for the application. The
14 following information shall be provided for the designated responsible party:
15 full legal name, title, mailing address, primary contact phone number, email
16 address, and a copy of the owner's government-issued identification.
17 Acceptable forms of identification are a document issued by a federal, state,
18 county, or municipal government, including, but not limited to, a driver's license
19 or passport, that contains the name, date of birth, physical description, and
20 picture of the individual;
- 21 (7) An individual or entity serving as agent for service of process for the applicant.
22 The following information shall be provided for the agent for service of process:
23 full legal name, mailing address, primary contact phone number, and email
24 address;
- 25 (8) A complete list of every owner of the applicant entity. Each individual owner
26 named shall submit the following information:
- 27 (i) Full legal name;
- 28 (ii) Title within the applicant entity;
- 29 (iii) Home address;
- 30 (iv) Primary phone number;
- 31 (v) Email address;
- 32 (vi) Date ownership interest in the applicant entity was acquired;
- 33 (vii) Percentage of the ownership interest held in the applicant entity by the
34 owner;

- (viii) A list of all the valid licenses, including license type(s) and license number(s), from the department and other cannabis licensing authorities that the owner is listed as either an owner or financial interest holder;
- (ix) A copy of their government-issued identification. Acceptable forms of identification are a document issued by a federal, state, county, or municipal government, including that includes the name, date of birth, physical description, and picture of the person, such as a driver's license or passport.
- (9) For applicants that are a cannabis cooperative as defined by Division 10, Chapter 22 (commencing with section 26220) of the Business and Professions Code, identification of all members.
- (10) Evidence that the applicant entity has the legal right to occupy and use the proposed location.
- (11) The site plan prepared by a design professional consistent with the requirements of the Department pursuant to Article 55.5.
- e. The Director may request additional information that would assist the Department in its review of the application.
- f. The Zoning Administrator may approve, approve with conditions, or deny the legal non-conforming use permit application as provided for in Article 50.3.
- g. The legal non-conforming minor use permit shall be valid for two years from the date of issuance and cannot be extended or renewed.
- h. The legal non-conforming cannabis cultivation site cannot be expanded nor can the number of mature cannabis plants exceed 48 mature or 72 immature cannabis plants.
- i. Annual inspection of the cultivation site is required and the applicant shall pay the fee established by resolution of the Board of Supervisors for that inspection.
- (d) Minor and Major Use Permits for Commercial cannabis cultivation
- a. A person interested in applying for a cannabis cultivation use permit shall be enrolled with the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board or State Water Resources Control Board for water quality protection programs as of the effective date of this ordinance or written verification from the appropriate board that enrollment is not necessary.
- b. The applicant shall schedule and pay the fee for a pre-application conference with the Department prior to the submittal of an application for a use permit. Questions regarding a specific application will only be addressed at a pre-application conference. Prior to the pre-application conference, the applicant shall provide the department:

- (1) No later than two weeks prior to the pre-application conference, the applicant shall provide the department:
 - (2) A map showing the lot of record showing where the cultivation site is located and the Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) for the lot of record.
 - (3) Sketch of the proposed cultivation site including the location of the canopy area, full cultivation site, access, existing structures on the lot of record, any water bodies and/or water courses,
 - (4) A statement as to which State license the applicant intends to submit an application.
 - (5) Responses to the following performance standards questions:
 - (i) Has the applicant applied to the CalCannabis Cultivation Licensing Division for a cultivation license if the application relates to an existing site?
 - (ii) Is the cultivation site located outside a floodplain?
 - (iii) Do all aspects of the project not require a grading permit?
 - (iv) Does the applicant have a legal, on-site source of water?
 - (v) Does the applicant agree to monitor water use and share the data with the County?
 - (vi) Does the applicant agree to make water source available to Cal Fire for firefighting?
 - (vii) Has the applicant conducted a cultural/archeological survey of the property?
 - (viii) Does the applicant agree to monitor energy use and share the data with the County?
 - (ix) Does the applicant agree to monitor vegetative waste generation and share the data with the County?
 - (x) Does the applicant agree to monitor solid waste generation and share the data with the County?
 - (xi) Does the applicant agree to monitor water quality of storm water runoff and share the data with the County?
 - (xii) Any questions that the applicant may have regarding the permitting process or what is required for the submittal.
- c. At the pre-application conference the Department will provide:
- (1) A determination of the legal lot of record status or request additional information to make such determination. The lot of record where the cultivation site is located is required to be a legal lot of record.

- (2) A determination of current compliance with Chapters 5, 13, 17, 21, 23, 26, 29 or 30 of the Lake County Code. Compliance with these chapters is required to submit an application.
- (3) A determination of the performance standards score based on the response to the performance standards questions. A minimum score of 75% is required to submit an application.
- (4) A response to the questions submitted with the pre-application conference application.
- (5) An outline of the information required for the application.

d. Permit application supplemental information

The use permit application, in addition to the requirements of Article 55, shall include the following additional information:

- (1) The legal business name of the applicant entity;
- (2) The license type, pursuant to the California Department of Food and Agriculture cannabis cultivation program regulations, for which the applicant is applying and whether the application is for an M-license or A-license;
- (3) A list of all the types, including the license numbers of valid licenses, from the department and other cannabis licensing authorities that the applicant already holds;
- (4) The physical address of the premises;
- (5) The mailing address of the applicant;
- (6) A designated responsible party, who shall also be an owner, with legal authority to bind the applicant entity, and the primary contact for the application. The following information shall be provided for the designated responsible party: full legal name, title, mailing address, primary contact phone number, email address, and a copy of the owner's government-issued identification. Acceptable forms of identification are a document issued by a federal, state, county, or municipal government, including, but not limited to, a driver's license or passport, that contains the name, date of birth, physical description, and picture of the individual;
- (7) An individual or entity serving as agent for service of process for the applicant. The following information shall be provided for the agent for service of process: full legal name, mailing address, primary contact phone number, and email address;
- (8) A complete list of every owner of the applicant entity. Each individual owner shall submit the following information:

- (i) Full legal name;
- (ii) Title within the applicant entity;
- (iii) Home address;
- (iv) Primary phone number;
- (v) Email address;
- (vi) Date ownership interest in the applicant entity was acquired;
- (vii) Percentage of the ownership interest held in the applicant entity by the owner;
- (viii) A list of all the valid licenses, including license type(s) and license number(s), from the department and other cannabis licensing authorities that the owner is listed as either an owner or financial interest holder;
- (ix) A copy of their government-issued identification. Acceptable forms of identification are a document issued by a federal, state, county, or municipal government that includes the name, date of birth, physical description, and picture of the person, such as a driver's license or passport.
- (x) For applicants that are a cannabis cooperative as defined by Division 10, Chapter 22 (commencing with section 26220) of the Business and Professions Code, identification of all members.
- (xi) Evidence that the applicant entity has the legal right to occupy and use the proposed location.
- (xii) Evidence of enrollment with the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board or State Water Resources Control Board for water quality protection programs or written verification from the appropriate board that enrollment is not necessary;
- (xiii) Evidence that the applicant has conducted a hazardous materials record search of the EnviroStor database for the proposed premises. If hazardous sites were encountered, the applicant shall provide documentation of protocols implemented to protect employee health and safety;
- (xiv) For indoor and mixed light license types, identification of all power sources for cultivation activities, including but not limited to, illumination, heating, cooling, and ventilation;
- (xv) Identification of all water sources used for cultivation activities and the estimated volume of water used on a monthly basis.
- (xvi) An attestation that the local fire department has been notified of the cultivation site if the applicant entity is an indoor license type;

1 (9) Project description:

2 The project description shall provide adequate information to evaluate the
3 impacts of the proposed project and consists of three parts: a site plan, a
4 written description section, and a property management section.

5 (i) Site Plan:

6 A site plan is a graphic representation of the project consisting of maps, site
7 plans, or drawings prepared by a design professional consistent with the
8 requirements of the Department pursuant to Article 55.5.

9 (ii) Written Description:

10 A written section which shall support the graphic representations and shall,
11 at a minimum, include:

- 12 (a) A project description;
- 13 (b) The present zoning;
- 14 (c) A list and description of all uses shown on the site plan;
- 15 (d) A development schedule indicating the approximate date when
16 construction of the project can be expected to begin and be completed
17 for each phase of the project; including the permit phase;
- 18 (e) A statement of the applicant's proposal for solid waste disposal,
19 vegetative waste disposal, storm water management, growing medium
20 management, fish and wildlife protection, water resources protection,
21 energy use, water use, pest management, fertilizer use, property
22 management, grading, organic farming, and protection of cultural
23 resources;
- 24 (f) Quantitative data for the development including but not limited to:
25 Gross and net acreage; the approximate dimensions and location of
26 structures for each district or area; employee statistics; support services
27 required; traffic generation data based on anticipated uses; parking and
28 loading requirements; and outdoor storage requirements based on
29 anticipated uses;
- 30 (g) Supplemental information, if applicable:
- 31 a. Copy of the statement of water diversion, or other permit, license
32 or registration filed with the State Water Resources Control Board,
33 Division of Water Rights.
- 34 b. Copy of Notice of Intent and Monitoring Self-Certification and other
35 documents filed with the North Coast or Central Valley Regional
36 Water Quality Board.

- 1 c. Streambed Alteration Permit obtained from the Department of Fish
2 and Wildlife.
- 3 d. Copy of County of Lake well permit, state well permit, or well logs.
- 4 e. If the lot of record is zoned TPZ, or involves conversion of
5 timberland, a copy of less-than-3-acre conversion exemption or
6 timberland conversion permit, approved by CAL-FIRE. Alternately
7 for existing operations occupying sites created through prior
8 unauthorized conversion of timberland, evidence may be provided
9 showing the landowner has completed a civil or criminal process
10 and/or entered into a negotiated settlement with CAL-FIRE.
- 11 (h) Other pertinent information as required by the Director.
- 12 (iii) A Management Plan section
13 Described in subsection 5 below.
- 14 e. Minor and Major Use Permit required findings
- 15 In addition to the findings required for a minor use permit (Article 50.4) or major
16 use permit (Article 51.4), the following findings shall be made:
- 17 (1) The proposed use complies with all development standards described in Section
18 5.3.i
- 19 (2) The applicant is qualified to make the application described in Section 3.ii.(e).
- 20 (3) The application complies with the qualifications for a permit described in
21 Section 3.ii.(f).
- 22 (e) Early activation
- 23 In addition to the requirements of Article 27.4, the following requirements apply:
- 24 a. The applicant shall be qualified to receive a permit pursuant to Subsection 3.ii.(e).
- 25 b. Evidence of enrollment with the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board or
26 State Water Resources Control Board for water quality protection programs or
27 written verification from the appropriate board that enrollment is not necessary
- 28 c. The applicant shall have a Conditional Certificate of Recognition of Compliance for
29 compliance with Article 72.
- 30 d. The applicant shall have filed an application for a minor or major use permit
31 application, as appropriate, for the same project that has been determined to be
32 complete by the Department.
- 33 5. Property Management Plan
- 34 All permittees shall prepare a Property Management Plan. The intent of said plan is to identify
35 and locate all existing cannabis and non-cannabis related uses on the property, Identify and

1 locate all proposed cannabis and non-cannabis related uses on the property, and describe how
2 all cannabis and non-cannabis related uses will be managed in the future. The property
3 management plan shall demonstrate how the operation of the commercial cannabis cultivation
4 site will not harm the public health, safety, and welfare or the natural environment of Lake
5 County.

6 The plan will consist of the following sections:

7 i. Air Quality

8 (a) Intent: All cannabis permittees shall not degrade the County's air quality as determined
9 by the Lake County Air Quality Management District (LCAQMD).

10 (b) In this section, permittees shall identify any equipment or activity that which may
11 cause, or potentially cause the issuance of air contaminants including odor and shall
12 identify measures to be taken to reduce, control or eliminate the issuance of air
13 contaminants, including odors.

14
15 (c) All cannabis permittees shall obtain an Authority to Construct permit pursuant to
16 LCAQMD Rules and Regulations, prior to the construction of the facility described in the
17 Property Management Plan.

18 (d) All cannabis permittees shall obtain Authority to Construct Permit pursuant to LCAQMD
19 Rules and Regulations, if applicable, to operate any article, machine, equipment or other
20 contrivance which causes or may cause the issuance of an air contaminant.

21 (e) All permittees shall maintain an Authority to Construct or Permit to Operate for the life
22 of the project, until the operation is closed and equipment is removed.

23 (f) The applicant shall prepare an odor response program that includes (but is not limited
24 to):

25 a. Designating an individual(s) who is/are responsible for responding to odor
26 complaints 24 hours per day/seven (7) days a week, including holidays.

27 b. Providing property owners and residents of property within a 1,000 foot radius of
28 the cannabis facility, with the contact information of the individual responsible for
29 responding to odor complaints.

30 c. Policies and procedures describing the actions to be taken when an odor complaint
31 is received, including the training provided to the responsible party on how to
32 respond to an odor complaint.

33 d. The description of potential mitigation methods to be implemented for reducing
34 odors, including add-on air pollution control equipment.

1 e. Contingency measures to mitigate/curtail odor and other emissions in the event the
2 methods described above are inadequate to fully prevent offsite nuisance
3 conditions.

4 ii. Cultural Resources

5 (a) Intent: All permittees shall protect the cultural, historical, archaeological, and
6 paleontological resources on the lot of record where the permitted activity is located.

7 (b) The Department shall consult with appropriate Tribe regarding the potential of such
8 resources being located on the lot of record.

9 (c) Based on that consultation, the Department may require a cultural resource study of the
10 property to determine the extent such resources exist on the lot of record.

11 (d) Based on that study and in consultation with the appropriate Tribe(s), the Department
12 may require its including in this section.

13 (e) This section shall include:

14 a. Detailed procedures on actions to take if such resources are found.

15 b. Describe the procedures to be followed if cultural, historical, archaeological, and
16 paleontological resources are found on the property.

17 iii. Energy Usage

18 (a) Intent: Permittees shall minimize energy usage.

19 (b) In this section permittees shall :

20 a. Provide energy calculation as required by the California Building Code.

21 b. Identify energy conservation measures to be taken and maintained including
22 providing proof of compliance with CCR Title 3, Division 8, Chapter 1, Section 8305
23 the Renewable Energy Requirements.

24 c. If alternative energy sources are to be used, describe those sources and the amount
25 of electricity that will be provided.

26 d. For indoor cannabis cultivation licensees, ensure that electrical power used for
27 commercial cannabis activity shall be provided by any combination of the following:
28 (1) On-grid power with 42 percent renewable source. (2) Onsite zero net energy
29 renewable source providing 42 percent of power. (3) Purchase of carbon offsets for
30 any portion of power above 58 percent not from renewable sources. (4)
31 Demonstration that the equipment to be used would be 42 percent more energy
32 efficient than standard equipment, using 2014 as the baseline year for such
33 standard equipment.

34 e. Describe what parameters will be monitored and the methodology of the
35 monitoring program.

iv. Fertilizer Usage

(a) Intent: To ensure consistency of fertilizer storage and use with the other sections of the property management plan.

(b) This section shall describe how cultivation and nursery permittees will comply with the following fertilizer application and storage protocols:

- a. Comply with all fertilizer label directions;
- b. Store fertilizers in a secure building or shed;
- c. Contain any fertilizer spills and immediately clean up any spills;
- d. Apply the minimum amount of product necessary;
- e. Prevent offsite drift;
- f. Do not spray directly to surface water or allow fertilizer product to drift to surface water. Spray only when wind is blowing away from surface water bodies;
- g. Do not apply fertilizer when they may reach surface water or groundwater; and
- h. The use of fertilizer shall not be located within 100 feet of any spring, top of bank of any creek or seasonal stream, edge of lake, delineated wetland or vernal pool. For purposes of determining the edge of Clear Lake, the setback shall be measured from the full lake level of 7.79 feet on the Rumsey Gauge.

(c) This section shall include a map of any spring, top of bank of any creek or seasonal stream, edge of lake, delineated wetland or vernal pool on the lot of record of land or within 100 feet of the lot of record and a 100-foot setback from any identified spring, top of bank of any creek or seasonal stream, edge of lake, delineated wetland or vernal pool.

(d) Describe what parameters will be monitored and the methodology of the monitoring program.

v. Fish and Wildlife Protection

(a) Intent: To minimize adverse impacts on fish and wildlife.

(b) In this section permittees shall include:

- a. A description of the fish and wildlife that are located on or utilize on a seasonal basis the lot of record where the permitted activity is located;
- b. A description of the habitats found on the lot of record;
- c. A description of the watershed in which the permitted activity is located;
- d. Describe how the permittee will minimize adverse impacts on the fish and wildlife; and

- 1 e. A map showing the location of any conservation easements or wildlife corridors
2 proposed.
- 3 vi. Operations Manual
- 4 (a) Intent: To describe the operating procedures of the commercial cannabis cultivation site
5 to ensure compliance with the use permit, protect the public health, safety and welfare,
6 as well as the natural environment of Lake County.
- 7 (b) This section shall include the following:
- 8 (1) Authorization for the County, its agents, and employees, to seek verification of
9 the information contained within the development permit or use permit
10 applications, the Operations Manual, and the Operating Standards at any time
11 before or after development or use permits are issued;
- 12 (2) A description of the staff screening processes;
- 13 (3) The hours and days of the week when the facility will be open;
- 14 (4)
- 15 (5) Description of measures taken to minimize or offset the carbon footprint from
16 operational activities;
- 17 (6) Description of chemicals stored, used and any effluent discharged as a result of
18 operational activities; and
- 19 (c) Grounds.
- 20 (1) The permittee shall establish and implement written procedures to ensure that
21 the grounds of the premises controlled by the permittee are kept in a condition
22 that prevents the contamination of components and cannabis products. The
23 methods for adequate maintenance of the grounds shall include at minimum:
- 24 (i) The proper storage of equipment, removal of litter and waste, and cutting
25 of weeds or grass so that the premises shall not constitute an attractant,
26 breeding place, or harborage for pests.
- 27 (ii) The proper maintenance of roads, yards, and parking lots so that these
28 areas shall not constitute a source of contamination in areas where
29 cannabis products are handled or transported.
- 30 (iii) The provision of adequate draining areas in order to prevent contamination
31 by seepage, foot-borne filth, or the breeding of pests due to unsanitary
32 conditions.
- 33 (iv) The provision and maintenance of waste treatment systems so as to prevent
34 contamination in areas where cannabis products may be exposed to such a
35 system's waste or waste by-products.

(2) If the lot of record is bordered by grounds outside the applicant's control that are not maintained in the manner described in subsections (i) through (iv) of this section, inspection, extermination, and other reasonable care shall be exercised within the lot of record in order to eliminate any pests, dirt, and/or filth that pose a source of cannabis product contamination.

(d) Any other information as may be requested by the Director and/or by the Planning Commission.

vii. Pest Management

(a) Intent: To ensure consistency pest management with the other sections of the property management plan.

(b) This section shall describe how cultivation and nursery permittees will comply with the following pesticide application and storage protocols:

a. All pesticide applications must fully comply with the California Food and Agriculture Code, Division 6 Pest Control Operations and Division 7 Agriculture Chemical; Chapter 1 – 3.6 and California Code of Regulations, Division 6 Pest Control Operations.

b. These pesticide laws and regulations include but are not limited to:

(1) Comply with all pesticide label directions;

(2) Store chemicals in a secure building or shed to prevent access by wildlife;

(3) Contain any chemical leaks and immediately clean up any spills;

(4) Prevent offsite drift;

(5) Do not apply pesticides when pollinators are present;

(6) Do not allow drift to flowering plants attractive to pollinators;

(7) Do not spray directly to surface water or allow pesticide product to drift to surface water. Spray only when wind is blowing away from surface water bodies;

(8) Do not apply pesticides when they may reach surface water or groundwater; and

(9) Only use properly labeled pesticides.

(10) The use of pesticides shall not be located within 100 feet of any spring, top of bank of any creek or seasonal stream, edge of lake, delineated wetland or vernal pool. For purposes of determining the edge of Clear Lake, the setback shall be measured from the full lake level of 7.79 feet on the Rumsey Gauge.

(c) This section shall include a map of any spring, top of bank of any creek or seasonal stream, edge of lake, delineated wetland or vernal pool on the lot of record of land or

1 within 100 feet of the lot of record and a 100 foot setback from any identified spring,
2 top of bank of any creek or seasonal stream, edge of lake, delineated wetland or vernal
3 pool.

4 viii. Security

5 (a) Intent: To minimize criminal activity, provide for safe and secure working environments,
6 protect private property, and to prevent damage to the environment. The Applicant
7 shall provide adequate security on the premises, as approved by the Sheriff and
8 pursuant to this section, including lighting and alarms, to ensure the safety of persons
9 and to protect the premises from theft.

10 (b) Security Plan

11 This section shall include at a minimum:

12 a. A description of the security measures to be taken to:

13 (1) Prevent access to the cultivation site by unauthorized personnel and protect the
14 physical safety of employees. This includes, but is not limited to:

15 (i) Establishing physical barriers to secure perimeter access and all points of
16 entry (such as locking primary entrances with commercial-grade, non-
17 residential door locks, or providing fencing around the grounds, driveway,
18 and any secondary entrances including windows, roofs, or ventilation
19 systems);

20 (ii) Installing a security alarm system to notify and record incident(s) where
21 physical barriers have been breached;

22 (iii) Establishing an identification and sign-in/sign-out procedure for authorized
23 personnel, suppliers, and/or visitors;

24 (iv) Maintaining the premises such that visibility and security monitoring of the
25 premises is possible; and

26 (v) Establishing procedures for the investigation of suspicious activities.

27 (2) Prevent theft or loss of cannabis and cannabis products. This includes but is not
28 limited to:

29 (v) Establishing an inventory system to track cannabis material and the
30 personnel responsible for processing it throughout the cultivation process;

31 (vi) Limiting access of personnel within the premises to those areas necessary to
32 complete job duties, and to those time-frames specifically scheduled for
33 completion of job duties;

34 (vii) Supervising tasks or processes with high potential for diversion (including
35 the loading and unloading of cannabis transportation vehicles); and

(viii) Providing designated areas in which personnel may store and access personal items.

(3) Identification of emergency contact(s) that is/are available 24 hours/seven (7) days a week including holidays. The plan shall include the name, phone number and facsimile number or email address of an individual working on the commercial cultivation premises, to whom notice of problems associated with the operation of the commercial cultivation establishment can be provided. The commercial cultivation establishment shall keep this information current at all times. The applicant shall make every good faith effort to encourage neighborhood residents to call this designated person to resolve operating problems, if any, before any calls or complaints are made to the County.

(4) The permittee shall maintain a record of all complaints and resolution of complaints and provide a tally and summary of issues the annual Performance Review Report.

(5) A description of fences, location of access points, and how access is controlled.

(6) Video Surveillance.

(i) At a minimum, permitted premises shall have a complete digital video surveillance system with a minimum camera resolution of 1080 pixel. The video surveillance system shall be capable of recording all pre-determined surveillance areas in any lighting conditions.

(ii) The video surveillance system shall be capable of supporting remote access by the permittee.

(iii) To the extent reasonably possible, all video surveillance cameras shall be installed in a manner that prevents intentional obstruction, tampering with, and/or disabling.

(iv) Areas that shall be recorded on the video surveillance system include, but are not limited to, the following:

(a) The perimeter of the cannabis cultivation site and cannabis nursery,.

(b) Areas where cannabis or cannabis products are weighed, packed, stored, quarantined, loaded and/or unloaded for transportation, prepared, or moved within the premises;

(c) Areas where cannabis is destroyed;

(d) Limited-access areas;

(e) Security rooms;

(f) Areas containing surveillance-system storage devices, in which case, at least one camera shall record the access points to such an area; and

- (g) The interior and exterior of all entrances and exits to the cannabis cultivation sites and cannabis nursery including all buildings where cannabis or cannabis products are weighed, packed, stored, quarantined, loaded and/or unloaded for transportation, prepared, or moved within the premises.
- (v) The surveillance system shall operate continuously 24 hours per day and at a minimum of 30 frames per second.
- (vi) All exterior cameras shall be waterproof, I-66 minimum.
- (vii) All interior cameras shall be moisture proof.
- (viii) Cameras shall be color capable.
- (ix) Video management software shall be capable of integrating cameras with door alarms.
- (x) Video recordings shall be digital.
- (xi) Thermal technology shall be use for perimeter fencing.
- (xii) All cameras shall include motion sensors that activates the camera when motion is detected.
- (xiii) In areas with inadequate lighting for the cameras being used, sufficient lighting shall be provided to illuminate the camera's field of vision.
- (xiv) All recording shall be located in secure rooms or areas of the premises in an access and environment-controlled environment which is separate from the room where the computer and monitoring equipment is located.
- (xv) All surveillance recordings shall be kept on the applicant's recording device or other approved location for a minimum of 30 days.
- (xvi) All video surveillance recordings are subject to inspection by the Department and shall be copied and sent, or otherwise provided, to the Department upon request.
- (xvii) The video recordings shall display the current date and time of recorded events. Time is to be measured in accordance with the U.S. National Institute Standards and Technology standards. The displayed date and time shall not significantly obstruct the view of recorded images.
- (7) Fences
- (i) Any commercial cannabis cultivation site shall be enclosed by a fence. The fence shall include, at a minimum, the following: Posts set into the ground. The posts may be steel tubing, timber or concrete and may be driven into the ground or set in concrete. End, corner or gate posts, commonly referred to as "terminal posts", must be set in concrete footing or otherwise

1 anchored to prevent leaning under the tension of a stretched fence. Posts
2 set between the terminal posts shall be set at intervals not to exceed 10
3 feet. A top horizontal rail is required between all posts. The fence shall be
4 attached to the posts and top horizontal rail.

5 (ii) No barbed wire, razor wire or similar design shall be used.

6 (iii) The cultivation area shall be screened from public view. Methods of screen
7 may include, but is not limited to, topographic barriers, vegetation, or solid
8 (opaque) fences.

9 ix. Storm Water Management

10 (a) Intent: To protect the water quality of the surface water and the stormwater
11 management systems managed by Lake County and to evaluate the impact on
12 downstream property owners.

13 (b) All permittees shall manage storm water runoff to protect downstream receiving water
14 bodies from water quality degradation.

15 (c) All cultivation activities shall comply with the California State Water Board, the Central
16 Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board, and the North Coast Region Water Quality
17 Control Board orders, regulations, and procedures as appropriate.

18 (d) Outdoor cultivation, including any topsoil, pesticide or fertilizers used for the cultivation
19 cannabis shall not be located within 100 feet of any spring, top of bank of any creek or
20 seasonal stream, edge of lake, delineated wetland or vernal pool. For purposes of
21 determining the edge of Clear Lake, the setback shall be measured from the full lake
22 level of 7.79 feet on the Rumsey Gauge.

23 (e) The illicit discharges of irrigation or storm water from the premises, as defined in Title
24 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Section 122.26, which could result in degradation
25 of water quality of any water body is prohibited.

26 (f) All permittees shall prepare a Storm Water Management Plan based on the
27 requirements of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board Central Valley
28 Region or the California Regional Water Quality Control Board North Coast Region. In
29 addition to those requirements, the plan shall include:

30 a. Identification of any Lake County maintained drainage or conveyance system that
31 the stormwater is discharged into and documentation that the stormwater
32 discharge is in compliance with the design parameters of those structures;

33 b. Identification of any public roads and bridges that are downstream of the discharge
34 point and documentation that the stormwater discharge is in compliance with the
35 design parameters of any such bridges;

36 c. Documentation that the discharge of stormwater from the site will not increase the
37 volume of water that historically has flow onto adjacent properties;

- d. Documentation that the discharge of stormwater will not increase flood elevations downstream of the discharge point;
 - e. Documentation that the discharge of stormwater will not degrade water quality of any water body;
 - f. Documentation of compliance with the requirements of Chapter 29, Storm Water Management Ordinance of the Lake County Ordinance Code;
 - g. Describe the proposed grading of the property;
 - h. Describe the storm water management system;
 - i. Describe the best management practices (BMPs) that will be used during construction and those that will be used post-construction. Post-construction BMPs shall be maintained through the life of the permit; and
 - j. Describe what parameters will be monitored and the methodology of the monitoring program.
- x. Waste Management
- (a) Intent: To minimize the generation of waste and dispose of such waste properly, to prevent the release of hazardous waste into the environment, minimize the generation of cannabis vegetative waste and dispose of cannabis vegetative waste properly, and manage growing medium and dispose of growing medium properly.
 - (b) This section shall include the following components:
 - a. Solid Waste Management
- The solid waste section shall include:
- (1) Provide an estimate of the amount of solid waste that will be generated on an annual basis and daily during peak operational seasons, broken down into the following categories:
 - (i) Paper
 - (ii) Glass
 - (iii) Metal
 - (iv) Electronics
 - (v) Plastic
 - (vi) Organics
 - (vii) Inerts
 - (viii) Household hazardous waste
 - (ix) Special waste, and

(x) Mixed residue

(2) Describe how the permittee will minimize solid waste generation, including working with vendors to minimize packaging.

(3) Describe the waste collection frequency and method.

(4) Describe how solid waste will be temporarily stored prior to transport to a compost, recycling, or final disposal location.

(5) Describe the composting, recycling, or final disposal location for each of the above categories of solid waste.

b. Hazardous Waste Management

The hazardous waste section shall include:

(1) Hazard Analysis.

The applicant shall conduct a hazard analysis to identify or evaluate known or reasonably foreseeable hazards for each type of cannabis product produced at their facility in order to determine whether there exist any hazards requiring a preventive control. The hazard analysis shall include:

The identification of potential hazards, including:

(i) Biological hazards, including microbiological hazards;

(ii) Chemical hazards, including radiological hazards, pesticide(s) contamination, solvent or other residue, natural toxins, decomposition, unapproved additives, or food allergens; and/or

(iii) Physical hazards, such as stone, glass, metal fragments, hair or insects.

The evaluation of the hazards identified in order to assess the severity of any illness or injury that may occur as a result of a given hazard, and the probability that the hazard will occur in the absence of preventive controls.

The hazard evaluation shall consider the effect of the following on the safety of the finished cannabis product for the intended consumer:

(i) The sanitation conditions of the manufacturing premises;

(ii) The product formulation process;

(iii) The design, function and condition of the manufacturing facility and its equipment;

(iv) The ingredients and components used in a given cannabis product;

(v) The operation's transportation and transfer practices;

(vi) The facility's manufacturing and processing procedures;

- (vii) The facility's packaging and labeling activities;
- (viii) The storage of components and/or the finished cannabis product;
- (ix) The intended or reasonably foreseeable use of the finished cannabis product: and
- (x) Any other relevant factors.

(2) Management Plan

The Management Plans shall:

- (i) Identify all Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), Non-RCRA hazardous waste and Universal wastes and the volume of each;
- (ii) Identify all containers and container management;
- (iii) Describe storage locations and chemical segregation procedures;
- (iv) Describe hazardous waste manifest and recordkeeping protocol;
- (v) Outline inspection procedures;
- (vi) Identify emergency spill response procedures;
- (vii) Describe staff responsibilities;
- (viii) Describe the staff training program;.
- (ix) Describe the methodology on how the amount of hazardous materials and waste that is generated on the site, the amount that is recycled, and the amount and where hazardous materials and waste is disposed of, is measured; and
- (x) Include A map of any private drinking water well, spring, top of bank of any creek or seasonal stream, edge of lake, delineated wetland or vernal pool on the lot of record or within 100 feet of the lot of record and a 100 foot setback from any identified private drinking water well, spring, top of bank of any creek or seasonal stream, edge of lake, delineated wetland or vernal pool. The map shall also include any public water supply well on the lot of record or within 200 feet of the lot of record and a 200 foot setback from any public water supply well.

Pursuant to the California Health and Safety Code, the use of hazardous materials shall be prohibited except for limited quantities of hazardous materials that are below State threshold levels of 55 gallons of liquid, 500 pounds of solid, or 200 cubic feet of compressed gas. The production of any Hazardous Waste as part of the cultivation process is prohibited.

1 c. Cannabis Vegetative Material Waste Management

2 The cannabis vegetative material waste management section shall include:

- 3 (1) Provide an estimate of the type and amount of cannabis vegetative waste that
4 will be generated on an annual basis;
- 5 (2) Describe how the permittee will minimize cannabis vegetative waste
6 generation;.
- 7 (3) Describe how solid waste will be disposed; and
- 8 (4) Describe the methodology on how the amount of cannabis vegetative waste
9 that is generated on the site, the amount that is recycled, and the amount and
10 where cannabis vegetative waste is disposed of is measured.

11 d. Growing Medium Management

12 The growing medium management section shall include:

- 13 (1) Provide an estimate of the type and amount of new growing medium that will
14 be used and amount of growing medium will be disposed of on an annual basis;
- 15 (2) Describe how the permittee will minimize growing medium waste generation;.
- 16 (3) Describe any non-organic content in the growing medium used (such as
17 vermiculite, silica gel, or other non-organic additives;
- 18 (4) Describe how growing medium waste will be disposed; and
- 19 (5) Describe the methodology on how the amount of growing medium waste that is
20 generated on the site, the amount that is recycled, and the amount and where
21 growing medium waste is disposed of, is measured.

22 xi. Water Resources

23 (a) Intent: To minimize adverse impacts on surface and groundwater resources.

24 (b) This section shall include:

- 25 a. A description of the surface and groundwater resources that are located on the lot
26 of record where the permitted activity is located.
- 27 b. A description of the watershed in which the permitted activity is located.
- 28 c. A description of how the permittee will minimize adverse impacts on the surface
29 and groundwater resources.
- 30 d. A description of what parameters will be measured and the methodology of how
31 they will be measured.
- 32 e. A map of any spring, top of bank of any creek or seasonal stream, edge of lake,
33 delineated wetland or vernal pool on the lot of record of land or within 200 feet of
34 the lot of record.

f. A topographic map of the parcel prepared by a licensed surveyor where the permitted activity is located with contours no greater than five (5) feet

xii. Water Use

(a) Intent: To conserve the County's water resources by minimizing the use of water.

(b) All permitted activities shall have a legal water source on the premises, and have all local, state, and federal permits required to utilize the water source. If the permitted activity utilizes a shared source of water from another site, such source shall be a legal source, have all local, state, and federal permit required to utilize the water source, and have a written agreement between the property owner of the site where the source is located and the permitted activity agreeing to the use of the water source and all terms and conditions of that use.

(c) Permittee shall not engage in unlawful or unpermitted drawing of surface water.

(d) The use of water provided by a public water supply, unlawful water diversions, transported by a water hauler, bottled water, a water-vending machine, or a retail water facility is prohibited.

(e) Where a well is used, the well must be located on the premises or an adjacent parcel. The production well shall have a meter to measure the amount of water pumped. The production wells shall have continuous water level monitors. The methodology of the monitoring program shall be described. A monitoring well of equal depth within the cone of influence of the production well may be substituted for the water level monitoring of the production well. The monitoring wells shall be constructed and monitoring begun at least three months prior to the use of the supply well. An applicant shall maintain a record of all data collected and shall provide a report of the data collected to the County annually.

(f) Water may be supplied by a licensed retail water supplier, as defined in Section 13575 of the Water Code, on an emergency basis. The application shall notify the Department within 7 days of the emergency and provide the following information:

a. A description of the emergency.

b. Identification of the retail water supplier including license number.

c. The volume of water supplied.

d. Actions taken to prevent the emergency in the future.

(g) All permittees shall prepare a Water Use Management Plan to be approved by the Lake County Water Resources Department. Said plan shall:

a. Identify the source of water, including location, capacity, and documentation that it is a legal source.

b. Described the proposed irrigation system and methodology.

- c. Describe the amount of water projected to be used on a monthly basis for irrigation and separately for all other uses of water and the amount of water to be withdrawn from each source of water on a monthly basis.
 - d. Provide calculations as to the efficiency of the irrigation system using the methodology of the Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (California Code of Regulations, Title 23, Division 2, Chapter 27).
 - e. Describe the methodology that will be used to measure the amount of water used and the required monitoring.
- 6. Compliance monitoring
 - i. A compliance monitoring inspection of the cultivation site shall be conducted annually during growing season.
 - ii. The permittee shall pay a compliance monitoring fee established by resolution of the Board of Supervisors prior to the inspection.
 - iii. If there are no violations of the County permit or state license during the first five years, the inspection frequency may be reduced by the Director to not less than once every five years.
- 7. Annual Reports
 - i. Performance Review
 - (a) All cannabis permittees shall submit a "Performance Review Report" on an annual basis from their initial date of operation for review and approval by the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission may delegate review of the annual Performance Review Report to the Director at the time of the initial hearing or at any time thereafter. This annual "Performance Review Report" is intended to identify the effectiveness of the approved minor or major use permit, Operations Manual, Operating Standards, and conditions of approval, as well as the identification and implementation of additional procedures as deemed necessary. In the event the Planning Commission identifies problems with specific Performance Review Report that could potentially lead to revocation of the associated minor or major use permit, the Planning Commission may require the submittal of more frequent "Performance Review Reports."
 - (b) Pursuant to sub-section 6. i. above, the premises shall be inspected by the Department on an annual basis, or less frequently if approved by the Director. A copy of the results from this inspection shall be given to the permittee for inclusion in their "Performance Review Report" to the Department.
 - (c) Compliance monitoring fees pursuant to the County's adopted master fee schedule shall be paid by permittee and accompany the "Performance Review Report" for costs associated the review of the report by County staff.
 - (d) Non-compliance by permittee in allowing the inspection by the Department, or refusal to pay the required fees, or noncompliance in submitting the annual "Performance

Review Report” for review by the Planning Commission shall be deemed grounds for a revocation of the development permit or use permit and subject the holder of the permit(s) to the penalties outlined in this Code.

8. Renewals

i. The following is required for permit renewal:

(a) An application for renewal shall be submitted to the Department at least 180 days prior to the annual anniversary. Failure to submit an application for renewal by that date may result in the expiration of the permit.

(b) Applications: Applicants shall complete an application form as prescribed by the Director and pay all fees as established by resolution by the Board of Supervisors.

(c) The following documentation in electronic format is required for application for renewal:

a. A copy of all licenses, permits, and conditions of such licenses or permits related to the project from state agencies as appropriate including, but not limited to the California Department of Food and Agriculture, Department of Pesticide Regulation, Department of Fish and Wildlife, The State Water Resources Control Board, Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, Central Valley or North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board, and the Department of Public Health.

b. A copy of all reports provided the County and State agencies as determined by the Director.

c. A list of all employees on the premise during the past year and a copy of the background checks certification for each.

d. Documentation that the applicant is still qualified to be an applicant.

e. Any proposed changes to the use permit or how the site will be operated.

f. Payment of all fees as established by resolution by the Board of Supervisors.

(d) The permit may be renewed if:

a. Where there are no changes to the use permit or how the site will be operated:

(1) The original permit’s approval findings, conditions, or environmental certification are still valid.

(2) There are no violations of the permit conditions or of state licenses or permits.

(3) The applicant is qualified to apply for such a permit.

b. Where there are changes to the development or use permit or how the site will be operated:

(1) Such changes do not change the findings of the original permit’s approval findings, conditions, or environmental certification.

- 1 (2) There are no violations of the permit conditions or of state licenses or permits.
- 2 (3) The applicant is qualified to apply for such a permit.
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1 **Section 5:** Section 27.2, Table A Revisions

2 Section 27.2, Table A is amended by inserting the following at the bottom of the table:

Table A																					
	APZ	A	TPZ	RL	RR	SR	R1	R2	R3	C1	C2	C3	CR	CH	M1	M2	MP	PDR	PDC	W	U
(z) Adult Use Cultivation	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●									●			
(z) Qualifying Patient Cultivation	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●									●			
(z) Primary Caregiver Cultivation	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●									●			

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4 **Section 6:** Section 27.11, Table B Revisions

5 Section 27.11, Table B is amended by inserting the following at the bottom of the table:

Table B																					
	APZ	A	TPZ	RL	RR	SR	R1	R2	R3	C1	C2	C3	CR	CH	M1	M2	MP	PDR	PDC	W	U
(at) All versions of Type 1, 2, and 4 licenses	○	○	○	○	○	○													●		
(at) All versions of Type 3 licenses	●	●	●	●	●	●													●		

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Section 7: After a period of approximately 12 months from the time this Ordinance becomes effective, the Board of Supervisors shall set a public hearing during a regularly-scheduled meeting of that Board to review the impacts, if any, of this Ordinance and consider any recommended modifications thereto.

Section 8: This Ordinance shall sunset 18 months after its effective date if for any reason the existing marijuana tax ordinance adopted by the voters of Lake County in 2016 is rendered ineffective and no alternative cannabis tax ordinance has been approved by the voters of the County of Lake.

Section 9: Chapter 21, Article 41.18 is hereby repealed.

Section 10: All ordinances or resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict and no further.

Section 11: The Board of Supervisors independently finds and determines that this action is exempt from CEQA pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 26055(h) for the adoption of an ordinance, rule, or regulation by a local jurisdiction that requires discretionary review and approval of permits, licenses, or other authorizations to engage in commercial cannabis activity where the discretionary review in any such law, ordinance, rule, or regulation includes any applicable environmental review pursuant to Division 13 (commencing with Section 21000) of the Public Resources Code; and, under Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines, as an activity that is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. The general exemption applies in this instance because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the proposed amendments could have a significant effect on the environment, and thus are not subject to CEQA. Thus, it can be seen with certainty that the proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment.

Section 12: Severability. If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the Ordinance, including the application of such part or provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby and shall continue in full force and effect. To this end, provisions of this Ordinance are severable. The Board of Supervisors hereby declares that it would have passed each section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase hereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, subdivisions, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, or phrases be held unconstitutional, invalid, or unenforceable.

Section 13: This ordinance shall take effect on the ____ day of _____, 2018 and within fifteen (15) days after adoption of the ordinance, the Clerk to the Board of Supervisors shall publish a summary of the ordinance with the names of those supervisors voting for and against the ordinance and the clerk shall post in the office of the Clerk to the Board of Supervisors a certified copy of the full text of the adopted ordinance along with the names of those supervisors voting for and against the ordinance.

The Foregoing ordinance was introduced before the Board of Supervisors on the ____ day of _____, 2018, and passed by the following vote on the ____ day of _____ 2018.

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**ORDINANCE NO. _____ AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 21, ARTICLE 27 OF THE LAKE
COUNTY CODE PERTAINING TO CANNABIS CULTIVATION**

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

COUNTY OF LAKE

Chair, Board of Supervisors

Attest: Carol J. Huchingson
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
ANITA L. GRANT

By: _____
Deputy

By: _____